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KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY. TIME-TABLE.

	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.30	3.45	5.00	6.15	7.30
Yau Ma Tei ...Dep.	6.50	8.15	8.40	9.25	10.40	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55	5.10	6.25	7.40
Shatin ...Dep.	7.02	8.27	8.52	9.37	10.52	12.22	1.37	2.52	4.07	5.22	6.37	7.52
Tai Po ...Dep.	7.18	8.43	9.08	9.43	11.08	12.38	1.53	3.08	4.23	5.38	6.53	8.08
Tai Po Market ...Dep.	7.21	8.46	9.11	9.46	11.11	12.41	1.56	3.11	4.26	5.41	6.56	8.11
Fanning ...Dep.	7.32	8.57	9.22	9.57	11.22	12.52	2.07	3.22	4.37	5.52	7.07	8.22
Shungho ...Dep.	7.36	9.01	9.26	10.01	11.26	12.56	2.11	3.26	4.41	5.56	7.11	8.26
Shungho ...Arr.	7.43	9.18	9.43	10.18	11.43	13.13	2.18	3.33	4.48	6.03	7.18	8.33
Canton ...Arr.	12.30	1.05	1.30	2.05	3.30	4.05	4.30	5.05	6.30	7.05	8.30	9.05

	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.	A.M.	O.
Canton ...Dep.	7.19	8.04	8.29	9.14	10.29	11.59	1.14	2.29	3.44	4.59	6.14	7.29
Shungho ...Dep.	7.28	8.13	8.38	9.23	10.38	12.08	1.23	2.38	3.53	5.08	6.23	7.38
Fanning ...Dep.	7.31	8.16	8.41	9.26	10.41	12.11	1.26	2.41	3.56	5.11	6.26	7.41
Tai Po Market ...Dep.	7.41	8.26	8.51	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	2.51	4.06	5.21	6.36	7.51
Tai Po ...Dep.	7.46	8.31	8.56	9.41	10.56	12.26	1.41	2.56	4.11	5.26	6.41	7.56
Shatin ...Dep.	7.58	8.43	9.08	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	3.08	4.23	5.38	6.53	8.08
Yau Ma Tei ...Dep.	8.12	8.57	9.22	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	3.22	4.37	5.52	7.07	8.22
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.20	9.05	9.30	10.05	11.30	13.00	2.15	3.30	4.45	6.00	7.15	8.30

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THE SOUTHERNERS AT KIUKIANG.

CONCESSION SAFELY GUARDED.

LITTLE TROUBLE WITH INVADERS.

Writing from Kiukiang a N.C. Daily
News correspondent says:—
During the months of September and
October while Sun Chuan Fang's troops
were in possession, martial law was en-
forced in the native town and it was con-
sidered advisable to keep closed two of
the four gates, which lead out of the
Concession into the Chinese streets.
For some time previous to November
4th there had been rumours that the
Southern soldiers would soon attack Kiukiang
and on the morning of November 4th a
telephone message was received from
Kuling stating that Lienhung, a
village at the foot of the Kuling moun-
tains had been captured by the Southern
forces.
It was with considerable apprehension
that rifle fire was heard not far off at
2 p.m. and presently when bullets began
to fly over the Concession and a rush of
Chinese fugitives, civilians and terrified
Northern soldiers intermingled, entered
through the two open Concession gates,
it was decided to close the gates, con-
centrate the women and children at a pre-
arranged rendezvous and call out the
Defence Force.

Fugitives Stripped of All.

For half an hour the Defence Force
alone held the gates and disarmed the
Northern soldiers escaping into the Con-
cession over walls across the creek, and
round the barbed wire fences on the river
foreshore. It was indeed a sight to see
some of these miserable troops crowding
on to sampans over the creek and making
their way into the Concession, throwing
their arms into the water, discarding
badges and even taking off their uni-
forms. Some arrived in the Concession
stark naked.
Presently the sailors from the Ameri-
can, British, Japanese and French war
ships in harbour began to land. Barbed
wire concertinas were erected across the
roads, sandbag parapets built and
trenches dug, so that by nightfall the
place assumed the appearance of an armed
camp and the hoarse voices of sentries
could be heard challenging those who
ventured abroad.

The one thousand or more fugitives
who had found their way into the Con-
cession were herded into a large empty
godown and locked in for the night, it
not being considered advisable to allow
them to roam at leisure all night through
the Concession streets.
Firing continued all that afternoon
and the following night. It seems that
the Southern advance at first was as-
sisted by treachery and within a few hours
there were Southern troops actually in
the native town of Kiukiang. But later
some bodies of loyal Northern troops
were met on the far side of the creek
who put up a stiff fight. Throughout
bullets fell in the "Concession" and by
morning there were few houses which
could not show a bullet mark or two or
a broken window pane. Fortunately the
casualties in the Concession were light.
Two Chinese were hit, one of whom sub-
sequently died, and one British sailor
who was shot in the knee and is still in
hospital. An American officer was hit
in the back by a spent bullet, which made
him jump but fortunately did not injure
him, and a British officer had a bullet
through his best service cap, much to his
disgust.
The policy has been consistently carried
out of allowing no armed Chinese sol-
diers in the Concession. No attempts
have been made to parade through the
Concession or to hold labour demonstra-
tions, this no doubt being due to the
presence of foreign gunboats.

The Posters Appear.

The very day after the Southern troops
entered Kiukiang, posters began to ap-
pear on the walls and now every blank
space is plastered with them. The
majority of these posters are purely
communist, such as "Down with the
Capitalists," "The National Army is
the Workers' Army," "Down with the
Imperialists," "Workers Unite," etc.,
etc. There are also some large picture
posters of a distinctly Russian technique.
One represents a "Snowman" labelled
"Imperialist" melting in the sun. Another
represents Wu Pei Fu, a foot-
ball, kicked out of goal by an enormous
goal-keeper, the People's Army. Yet
another shows Wu Pei Fu with a blood-
stained knife striking down a student
and a workman, and a villainous-looking
fellow labelled "Englishman" hold-
ing up a spare knife for Wu Pei Fu to
use. Except for some student scribbles
this is the only definitely anti-British
poster which has come to the writer's
notice.

The newspapers are more outspoken.
The *Min Kuo Hsin Pao*, the local paper
with the largest circulation, stating in a
leading article: "In industry, China
is behind all nations of the world and at
the same time she, by her fertile soil and
natural riches, has attracted all Im-
perialists. They then held the
right of taxation of our Customs, they
dug mines, they built railways and
established firms. Besides this they sent
their navies and their armies to our
inland places seizing control of our

(Continued on next Column).

MISS MARY PICKFORD.

REMOURED RETIREMENT FROM
ACTING.

HER SKILL AS PRODUCER.

Great curiosity centres around the im-
mediate plans of Mr. Douglas Fairbanks
and his wife, Miss Mary Pickford, who
have recently returned to Hollywood, the
film-producing centre at Los Angeles,
after an extended tour of the Continent.
The death of Mr. Rudolph Valentino
has reduced the annual output of the
United Artists' Corporation. Conse-
quently, the Fairbanks have cancelled
their projected tour to the Orient, and
will begin production shortly on subjects
as yet unannounced.
It was stated in the American Press
recently that Miss Mary Pickford in-
tended, after appearing in four more
films, to retire from the screen and in-
terest herself solely in the business side
of film production.
Replying to a cabled inquiry from
The Daily Mail, Miss Pickford nei-
ther confirmed nor contradicted this
report. Her "present plans are to con-
tinue making pictures," she said.
Miss Pickford possesses a genius for
the actual business of film production, in
which, both as regards her own and her
husband's pictures, she has for many
years taken an active part.

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New York was on November 13th pro-
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lation of Greater New York increased by
250,000 to 1,750,000. Jewish children in
the schools now number 350,000, or 33
per cent. of the present generation of
school boys and girls.

economical and political affairs and
causing the bankruptcy of our education
and industry.

The British Imperialists have obtain-
ed great power along the Yangtze
Valley. Further their army and navy
are always murdering Chinese in interior
places. Our port of Kiukiang is the
chief port along the Yangtze and it has
been oppressed by the economical aggres-
sion of the British. If we want to rid
our necks of the yoke, and to save our
fatherland from ruin, we have to break
off economic intercourse. Let us gather
together and push out the British Im-
perialists. Beat down their economical
aggression, their poisonous policy and
cry out loudly:
Beat down British Imperialism;
Beat down all Imperialists;
Break off economic intercourse with
Britain;
Long Live the Revolution.

The first Southern troops to enter
Kiukiang were Hunanese. It was diffi-
cult to get into touch with their officials
but once this was done they were found
to be extremely obliging, even going to
the extent of putting their own guards
outside the Concession gates to warn
their troops that they were not allowed
to carry arms in the Concession. Since
then the Hunanese have moved on and
in official communications there has been
a tendency to "pass the buck" and say
it is someone else's affair. This is prob-
ably the studied policy of the Southern
Government so long as it is unrecognized
by the Powers.

Russian Advice and Equipment.

The Southern troops have been accom-
panied by a number of Russians. They
appear for the most part to be political
advisers and do not choose to show them-
selves in the Concessions. The only
Russian actually seen in the Concession
has been the pilot and mechanic of a
Russian hydroplane which took shelter in
the creek.

Most of the Southerners wear grey
uniforms which they have captured from
the soldiers of Sun Chuan Fang and Wu
Pei Fu. Occasionally the green uniform,
not unlike the uniform of Chinese pos-
ten, of the original Cantonese troops is
to be seen. The grey uniform is distin-
guished by a dirty badge three inches
square tacked on to the left arm, white
with a blue sun. The best part of the
equipment is the cap, these nearly all
appearing new and of a distinctly Rus-
sian pattern. Many of the officers dis-
play uniforms, breeches and boots of a
Russian cut and they all wear Sam
Brown belts and carry whips, though
where their horses are heaven only knows.

The troops are accompanied by civilian
Commissioners who rank equally with the
officers. Officially looting is not tolerat-
ed, but it has been known to occur in
country places. This is not surprising
when we consider that the Southern
Army in their advance have enlisted
bandits indiscriminately. The soldiers
are paid in Cantonese paper notes.
They are worthless but the shopkeepers
are afraid to refuse them, and the
soldiers obtain silver by walking into a
shop, buying a dollar's worth of goods,
tendering a Cantonese \$10 note and in-
sisting on \$4 change in silver.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Extraordinary Meeting H.K. and
Territorial Estates, Ltd., at Shewan,
Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, 11
a.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30
p.m.

Cricket: Mr. Balhatchet's XI. v. Mr.
Rumjahn's XI. at University ground,
Pokfulam, 2 p.m., Farewell Match.

Hockey: Sim Shield competition, H.K.
Hockey Club v. Royal Navy, U.S.R.C.
ground, 4.30 p.m.

Football: Interport trial match
H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

Matinee performance "Pirates of
Penzance," Theatre Royal, 4.30 p.m.

Lecture: "Wireless Telegraphy" by
Capt. Miles at Helena May Institute,
5.30 p.m.

Annual congregation meeting (business
and social) Union Church, Kowloon, 8.30
p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Snob."

World Theatre: "The Willow Pattern
Plate."

Star Theatre: "Enter Madame."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe
via Marseilles (Hector), 10.30 a.m.;
Europe via Siberia (Tjikarang), 1.30
p.m.

Thursday.

Cricket: K.C.C. v. H.M.S. Hawkins on
K.C.C. ground.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner dance Kowloon Hotel.

Extraordinary General Meeting Royal
H.K. Golf Club at Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co. Board Room, 5.15 p.m.;
followed by Annual Meeting at 8.30 p.m.

Whist drive Helena May Institute,
8.30 p.m.

Social at St. Andrew's Church Hall,
Kowloon, to welcome Rev. and Mrs. W.
Walton Rogers, 8.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Seven Chances."

World Theatre: "The Willow Pattern
Plate."

Star Theatre: "Recompense."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Manila
and Australia (Calula), 5 p.m.

Friday.

Display by Quarry Bay School
scholars, 11 a.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30
p.m.

Hockey: H.K. Hockey Club "A" v.
University at University Football
ground, 4.45 p.m.

First dance of season at Military
Hospital, Bowen Road, 8.30 p.m. to 1
a.m.

Philharmonic Society present "Pirates
of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Dance at Peak Club for members and
subscribers, 9.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Seven Chances."

World Theatre: "The Great Divide."

Star Theatre: "Recompense."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe
via Nagasaki (Kum Sang); Australia
and Manila (At Maru). Outward:
Australia and New Zealand (Changie),
10.30 a.m.

Saturday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Fanning Hunt Steeplechase, Kwant
Course.

Cricket and Football (details in
Saturday's issue).

Yachting: Challenge Cups for Racing
Yachts.

Philharmonic Society's final per-
formance of "Pirates of Penzance,"
Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Dance Craigengower Cricket Club.

Queen's Theatre: "Seven Chances."

World Theatre: "The Great Divide."

Star Theatre: "Recompense."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe
via Marseilles (Kashima Maru), 8.30
a.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe
via Victoria, B.C. (Tatishchev), 10.30
a.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe
via Victoria B.C. (President McKinley),
3.30 p.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and
Europe via San Francisco (President
Wilson), 5 p.m.

Sunday.

St. John Ambulance Brigade Annual
Competition for "Ralphs" Shield,
Murray Parade ground, 9.30 a.m.

Golf: Final Royal H.K. Golf Club
Championship, Fanning, I. W. Shewan
v. T. D. E. Pendered.

Yachting: 3rd Championship Race for
Cruisers.

Monday.

Extraordinary General Meeting Peak
Tramways, Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11
a.m.

Yachting: Ladies' Section R.H.K.Y.C.
5th Championship race.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30
p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A.,
Honolulu, etc. (President Polk).

Tuesday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Boxing: Tournament, Theatre Royal,
9.15 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A.,
Canada, etc. (President Jefferson). Out-
ward: Europe via Marseilles (General
Metzinger), 2.30 p.m.

To Secretaries.

[Secretaries of clubs and associations,
etc., are kindly requested to forward any
forthcoming events to the Daily Press
for inclusion in the above column, which
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and up-to-date as possible.]

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| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 2 Qts. St. Julien Claret. |
| 1 Qt. Burgundy. | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
| 1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy. | 1 Qt. Vino de Paso Sherry. |
| 2 Qts. King George IV White Label or Perfection Whisky. | 1 Phial Pomeransen Bitters. |

No. 3 HAMPER—\$30.

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| 1 Qt. Burgundy. | 1 Qt. Englund's XXX Brandy. |
| 1 Pt. Peppermint G. F. | 1 Qt. Amontillado Sherry W.S. |
| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
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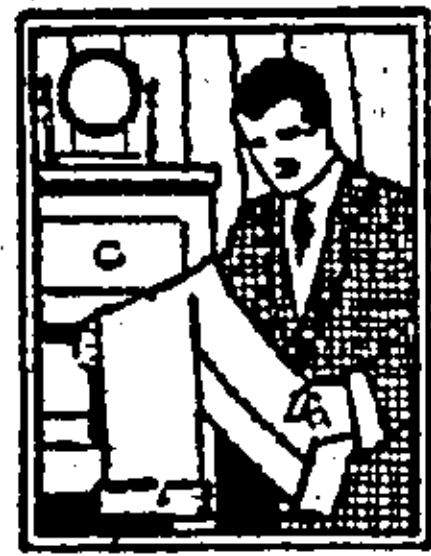
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RACING NOTES.

(By RAPIER)

Kwanti Steeplechase Meeting next Saturday will doubtless attract a large crowd as excellent arrangements have been made for transport and the general comfort of the public. There is no better tonic than a day in the country with something to prevent nature from appearing monotonous. The course is in a fine state and the surrounding hills furnish the back ground of a very pretty picture. Subscribers can obtain tickets at The Hunters Arms by ringing up Mr. G. Mass (C. 1044) on or before Thursday, the 16th instant. The catering on the course will be done by the Hunt in the usual efficient manner. Those who do not intend travelling on the special train and desire to join on the 1.15 train should ring up the Kowloon Canton Railway (K. 261) and order same.

I am very pleased to see that cars can be parked free off the course and that ladies are admitted without charge. Ladies provide the brighter side of racing: a meeting without them would be like tea without milk or sugar, a presumable misogynists take neither milk or sugar.

In addition to the usual two Bookies, a popular cricketer is, I understand, going to function in this capacity in the subscribers enclosure. When this fact becomes known I expect the number of subscribers will greatly increase. Humour makes him all creases and when he gets in that condition dull care fades away. I am told that he won an Interport Cricket match in Shanghai with his cheery countenance. It was, I believe, in 1923 when Hong Kong was very much up against it with a fairly weak team and a strained look on the face of their Captain would have killed their confidence. They gazed at the Captain, they listened to him, they strengthened, and they won.

It is hoped that Owners will inform the Clerk of the Course of the names of the ponies they intend running in the first race at the earliest possible moment and in each subsequent race immediately after the conclusion of the preceding event. The names will then be officially handed to the Bookies who will thus have ample time to take bets and the public will be spared that last minute rush which is so annoying on race courses.

The bounds will be on view at the Meeting. They all come from good Home-side packs and are worth seeing.

On Saturday morning I will give a list of riders and, I hope, all the winners.

OBITUARY.

Lieut. Maude's tragic death has taken from us a very popular rider. As the owner of Black Mouse he figured prominently at Happy Valley and Kwanti and his pony was entered for the meeting on Saturday. Those who were privileged to know Lieut. Maude will deplore his untimely end and sympathise most sincerely with his relatives in their great loss.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL TRIAL.

ANOTHER MATCH THIS AFTERNOON.

The second trial match for the selection of the Interport team against Shanghai at Hong Kong in China New Year will be played on the Hong Kong Football Club ground, Happy Valley this afternoon. The kick-off will be at 4.20 p.m., and the teams will be as under:—

Colours:—Anderson (Scottish Borderers); Ng Kam Chuen (Chinese Athletic); and Lai Yuk Tat (Chinese Athletic); C. F. Remedios (Club de Recreio); Sims (Kowloon F.C.) and Orem (Police); Taylor (H.K.F.C.); Fustes (Recreio); Linaker (H.K.F.C.); I. M. Silva (Recreio); and Brown (Recreio).
Whites:—Avery (H.M.S. Tamar); Li Tin Sang (South China) and Chan So (South China); Brittain (Police); Hudson (Police); and Lam Yuk Ying (Chinese Athletic); Cornwall (Police); Ip Kax (Chinese Athletic); Leach (Royal Artillery); McClintchey (Borderers); and Chan Kwong Lu (Chinese Athletic).

Reserves:—Wallington (H.K.F.C.); Tin Yuk On (South China); L. Rocha (Recreio); and Alexander (H.K.F.C.).
Those who took part in the first trial and have been nominated again are: C. F. Remedios, Hudson, Cornwall, Ip Kax, Leach, McClintchey, and Chan Kwong Lu.

HOME FOOTBALL.

F. A. CUP DRAW.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, December 13th.
The draw for the Third Round of the Football Association Cup Competition was made to-day and resulted as follows:
Reading v. Manchester Un.
Bristol Rovers v. Portsmouth.
Fulham v. Chesterfield.
Barnsley v. Crewe Alex.
Wednesday v. Brighton and H.
Coventry v. Lincoln v. Preston N.E.
Darlington v. Rhyd. Ath.
Everton v. Poole.
Hull City v. West Bromwich.
Birmingham v. Manchester City.
South Shields v. Plymouth A.
Newcastle v. Notts County.
Southampton v. Norwich.
Southport v. Blackburn.
Cardiff v. Aston Villa.
Burnley v. Grimsby.
Chelsea v. Luton.
Carlisle v. Wolverhampton.
Bristol City v. Bournemouth v. Liverpool.
Walsall v. Corinthians.
Exeter v. Accrington.
Clapton Orient v. Port Vale.
Leeds U. v. Sunderland.
Middlesbrough v. Leicester City.
Swansea v. Bury.
Millwall v. Huddersfield.
Oldham v. Gillingham or Brentford.
Sheffield U. v. The Arsenal.
Bradford City v. Derby C.
Blackpool v. Bolton.
West Ham v. Tottenham H.
Ashington v. Notts Forest.
Matches to be played on January 8th.
(Continued on next column.)

LADIES' YACHTING.

POINTS TO DATE.

Yesterday we reported the result of the fourth ladies' championship race at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. The points to date are now as under:—
In the Handicap Class, Diana which finished second on corrected time on Monday; leads with 20 points. La Linda, which was third on Monday, is second with 19 points and Colleen, which was first on Monday, is one point behind. Falcon has secured 13 points, Angula 7 points and Dorothea 8 points.
In the Combined Classes (Hayward Hays, Gads and One Design) Bluebird and Boojum are level with 25 points each; Daphne has 24, and Why Wonder! 22. Next comes Alita and Sealark with 20 points each, followed by Gael with 22 points. The remaining points are as under:—Thecla 19, Jean 17, Pierrette 13 and Zephyr 11.

CRICKET.

NEW FIXTURES.

The League match between the Hong Kong Cricket Club and the Indian Recreation Club arranged for Saturday has been postponed. The former will meet a team captained by Lt. Comdr. Cantrell on the Cricket Club ground that day.

On Boxing Day, the 26th inst., the Club de Recreio will play the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps at King's Park in a whole day match commencing at 11 a.m. The Portuguese have not reached first class standard yet, but their young players are great enthusiasts and are expected to give a good account of themselves.

On the same day the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Royal Navy will also engage in a whole day match. It will take place on the K.C.C. ground.

To-morrow, the Kowloon Cricket Club will meet H.M.S. Hawkins. Their match against the Scottish Borderers will be played on Thursday week.

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

This match will be played on Friday, at 4.45 p.m., on the University Football ground when the following will represent the University:—Mr. Y. O. Teh (Capt.), Dr. F. R. Ashton, Messrs. A. Suleman, B. P. Ng, G. S. Scully, K. T. Luke, H. W. Ma, C. W. Lam, T. E. Yeoh, P. C. Lim and C. K. Ong.

BOXING.

THE H.K.B.A. TOURNAMENT.

A FINE PROGRAMME.

The next tournament of the Hong Kong Boxing Association is being staged at the City Hall on Tuesday next, and the programme augurs well for a great success.

The full programme is as under:—
15-ROUND MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—A. B. Ewin (H.M.S. Hermes) v. Stoker Taff Howard (H.M.S. Hawkins).
6-ROUND WELTERWEIGHT CONTEST.—Stoker Reynolds (H.M. Submarines) v. Stoker Evans (H.M.S. Hermes).
6-ROUND HEAVYWEIGHT CONTEST.—Eddie Eagan (Olympic Games Heavyweight Champion) v. Stoker Addison (H.M.S. Hermes).
6-ROUND FEATHERWEIGHT CONTEST.—Cpl. McManus (H.M.S. Hawkins) v. Marine Hills (H.M.S. Hermes).
6-ROUND MIDDLEWEIGHT CONTEST.—Stoker Morrell (H.M.S. Hawkins) v. L.S. Gray (H.M.S. Iraqia).
6-ROUND BANTAMWEIGHT CONTEST.—A.C. Threadingham (H.M.S. Hermes) v. Stoker Foxley (H.M.S. Hawkins).

RIFLE SHOOTING.

MARINES DEFEAT POLICE.

In a rifle match shot between the Royal Marines of H.M.S. Indefatigable and the Hong Police Rifle Club on Sunday afternoon, the Marines won by 25 points.

Big Scoring at Wigan.

LONDON, December 13th.
In the Northern Section of the Third Division Wigan, playing at home to-day, defeated Barrow by eight goals to nil.

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HONG KONG BOY SCOUTS.

COLONIAL SCOUT COUNCIL TO BE FORMED.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR AND THE MOVEMENT.

PRESIDENT'S STIRRING ADDRESS.

The annual meeting of the Boy Scouts' Association (Hong Kong Branch) was held at St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday evening, when H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Chief Scout of Hong Kong), presided. Others present included the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, President of the Hong Kong Boy Scouts' Association, Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Sir Henry Gollan, K.C. (the Chief Justice), Admiral Sir Edwin Alexander-Sinclair, Major-General C. O. Luard, Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cross, Mrs. Southorn and the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave (Scout Commissioner).

The Annual Report.

The annual report, which was read by Mr. A. White, the Hon. Secretary of the Association, was as under:

It is satisfactory to be able to record that in spite of the troubles through which this part of the Far East is now passing, and occasional set-backs, the lot of any organisation, scouting in Hong Kong has continued to make an advance. The number of Scouts of all ranks, as shown by the census taken at the end of September, has increased, and two new Troops have been formed.

Our late Chief Scout, Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., relinquished the post on leaving the Colony. We gratefully acknowledge much valuable help which he rendered the Association. At the invitation and request of Imperial Headquarters, His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., on his appointment as Governor of Hong Kong, accepted the office of Chief Scout, bringing with him first-hand knowledge of the needs and aims of the Movement gained by close contact with it as President of the Ceylon Branch of the Association. His presence in the chair to-day is ample evidence, were any needed, of his continued interest and support. (Applause.)

Former President.

We record with deep regret the loss sustained by the Association by the death of our first President, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak. Notwithstanding ill-health he always managed to attend our various functions, and only a few days before leaving the Colony he came to one of our Camp Fires, and at that most intimate of Scout assemblies gave us a message of encouragement and advice. We therefore consider ourselves very fortunate when His Excellency persuaded the Hon. Dr. Kotewall to succeed Mr. Holyoak as President. (Applause.) We take this opportunity formally to welcome him as President. Since his acceptance of the post, he has thrown himself wholeheartedly into the work.

Many projects have perforce been delayed for various reasons, in the main owing to the general unrest in China and its effect on the Colony. The formation of a Council, is, however, being taken in hand to-day, and the next in importance, a Training Camp for Officers, only awaits a favourable opportunity for completion, while the necessary steps for the incorporation of the Association locally and the passing of a Protection Ordinance, are being taken under the best guidance. The Association Headquarters is now a going concern, with a special department for the sale of equipment. The value of this Department has been proved by the troops in which it is patronised both by troops and individual Scouts. We are extremely grateful to His Excellency and the Colonial Government for putting so suitable a place at our disposal.

The "Silver Wolf."

The Association Magazine, the *Silver Wolf*, is now being published as quarterly paper under the able editorship of Mr. C. W. Blason, our Honorary Treasurer. The Girl Guides' Association has recently arranged to share this paper with the Scouts, and in future Girl Guide news and articles will have a place in its pages. (Applause.) This is but one way in which the two Associations are co-operating, and we wish all success to the present effort being made by the Girl Guides to extend in the Colony.

Financially we need more permanent support. We have practically no other source of income than subscriptions, and money earned by concerts and other similar displays. While each Troop is largely responsible for raising its own funds, the Association has frequently to make grants to new or necessitous Troops. Association expenses are also heavy and likely to increase, especially when the Officers' Training Courses commence as a regular part of the year's work. The Colonial Government has made us in the past a valuable grant for both these purposes, but this does not cover all outgoings, and we desire to relieve our officers of much private expenditure which at present comes upon them.

The Year's Record.

Scout activities during the past year have been along the usual lines, Competition Races, Swimming Sports, and the Display in the early summer. Most troops have spent periods of varying lengths under canvas. On the whole camps when visited have shown marked improvement in Scoutcraft, but the need of a properly organised Training Camp for Officers is keenly felt, and this is one of our plans which has perforce been delayed.

The Prince of Wales' Banner, awarded for general efficiency, has been won by the youngest troops, but on the 20th The Swimming Sports recently held do not come within the period under review, but we wish to express our thanks to the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird and to our President for the gift of two Challenge Cups for the winners and runners-up respectively, for annual completion. (Applause.)

A Display was given by the Troops in the early summer. The fact that heavy rain just before the proceedings were due to begin made it necessary to alter our plans almost at the last moment did not prevent the boys from showing, our friends the wide scope of Scout Training. On that occasion His Excellency the Chief Scout presented a Silver Cross for Gallantry to one of the Scoutmasters and Letters of Commendation to some Scouts for public service. Two others also received special mention.

We conclude this Report by expressing our thanks to all friends and supporters who have given assistance to the Movement. Our aim is to decentralise the work as far as possible, in order to leave the Scoutmasters free to devote all their energies to the task of training the boys with the principal object of character development. This can not be done without considerable help from outside, and it is for this help we are calling. But most of all we need Scoutmasters able and willing to give up the time required for running Troops—men who have grasped the spirit of Scouting, not only in its local aspect, with all the possibilities which this Colony presents, but also in its aspect as a great Worldwide Brotherhood, an International Fellowship which can do much to render war an evil of the past. (Applause.)

Statistics.

The Approximate Number of Scouts of all ranks in the Association were 420; Number of Troops, 20; Number of Wolf Cub Packs, 2; Number of Rover Scout Patrols, 2; Number of Instructors and Examiners, not including Scouters, 42. The statement of accounts was outlined by Mr. Blason. The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

"The Great Game of Life."

His Excellency, addressing the gathering, said that the meeting had been called in order that the Boy Scouts' Association of Hong Kong should be put on a firmer and more permanent footing. The Scout movement began as a game for boys and to teach boys to play the great game of life. It was a brotherhood for boys and later for men of all creeds and races. His Excellency felt it a great pleasure to welcome as president, his old friend Mr. Kotewall who enjoyed the very highest regard of the Chinese community, whom he so worthily represented on the Legislative Council. Dr. Kotewall was, moreover, held in high regard by all the residents of the Colony. (Applause.)

Continuing, His Excellency said that it gave him great pleasure to give Dr. Kotewall his letter of appointment from the Chief Scout in the United Kingdom.

Chief Justice's Interest.

In connection with the forming of a Scout Council in Hong Kong His Excellency said that he was glad to tell them that the senior naval and military officers had accepted positions in the Council, and also the Chief Justice. His Excellency then read out a letter received from Sir Henry Gollan in which the latter stated that he accepted the invitation to membership on the Council with the greatest pleasure, and that any services which he could render in forwarding its objects would be gladly given. (Applause.) "If only all the members of the Council will show that spirit," added His Excellency, "there will be a great future for the Scout Association of Hong Kong."

His Excellency then referred to the proposed Ordinance for incorporating all the Scouts in Hong Kong. The Scout Association in the United Kingdom, he said, was incorporated by Royal Charter in 1912, with His Majesty the King as President and Sir Robert Baden Powell as Chief Scout. The Hong Kong Association had been affiliated to the parent association, but now it was proposed to make it a permanent institution amongst the institutions of the Colony. (Applause.)

The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave spoke on the status of the Colonial Association, and said that it ranked with that of the County Association in England.

The President's Speech.

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall addressed the gathering as follows:

Your Excellency and gentlemen, I thank you most sincerely for your cordial welcome, and I also thank His Excellency for his very kind reference to my appointment as President of the Hong Kong Branch of this Association. I accepted the appointment with considerable misgiving and much reluctance, for not only was I keenly sensible of its responsibilities, but I also realised more keenly the difficulty of following in the footsteps of such an able, keen and hard-working President as the late Mr. Holyoak. However, you have in me the will to serve the interests of the Association, and the readiness to co-operate at all times with its officers and Scoutmasters, on whom the real hard work devolves, to the best of my ability. I should like to take this opportunity of testifying to the splendid work of the Commissioner, Mr. Waldegrave has given a great deal of his time to the work of the Association, both indoors and outdoors, and only those who closely associate with him as I do, can fully realise the arduous and, at times, trying nature of his duties.

As His Excellency has already dealt with the necessity for protecting by legislation the interests of the Association and the Commissioner has mentioned the need of local incorporation, it only remains for me to express our warmest thanks to the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock for having so kindly undertaken to draft the necessary Bills for introduction in the Legislative Council to give effect to those two objects.

(Continued on next column).

LOCAL CONTRACTOR KIDNAPPED.

A TEMPTING INVITATION TO GO TO CANTON.

\$30 LUCKY MONEY.

A Chinese electrical fittings contractor of Wandhai has been tricked into captivity near Canton. The matter has just been reported to the local Police who, however, have no jurisdiction.

A month ago, a friend visited his shop at No. 45, Queen's Road East, and said that he had come from up-country where a very wealthy gentleman wanted for a forthcoming celebration about 10,000 lights installed for the decorations.

An invitation was extended to the contractor to visit the rich man, and he left for Canton with his friend and nothing was heard of him for a few days until his mother received a letter from a gang of bandits.

The mother was told that she was to take the train leaving Kowloon to-day for Canton. Four stations before reaching Canton, she was to get off and enter a tea-house promptly at noon where she was to approach a man reading a newspaper.

As "tribute" with which to "open the door to negotiations," she was to bring with her 2 dozen "elephant" brand anglets, 2 dozen silk socks, 2 dozen silk handkerchiefs, two woolen over-coats each worth at least \$30, 2 dozen hand electric torches to be of American make and \$30 "lucky money."

The only step the mother has taken so far is to notify No. 2 Police Station.

THE MACAO EXHIBITION AND INDUSTRIAL FAIR.

CLOSED AFTER SUCCESSFUL FIVE WEEKS.

After being open for the last five weeks, the Macao Exhibition and Industrial Fair was closed last night, in the presence of the Governor of Macao and Lady Barbosa, Admiral Lacerda and a large number of leading Macao residents, says our Macao correspondent. There had been previously a special cinema performance, under the patronage of H.E. the Governor, in which the Macao Cinema Company screened several interesting Portuguese films, such as the Vasco da Gama Procession, the arrival and departure of the Spanish aviators, Captains Loriga and Gallarza, and the Portuguese airmen, Majors Pais and Deires, with Engineer-Lieut. Gouveia. There were also panoramic views of Macao, a Chinese wedding, etc.

The Fair was a great success and its attractions included a merry-go-round, ferry-wheel and an immense Chinese lantern procession, with a big dragon and a frisky lion, specially brought over, from the neighbourhood of Macao. The booths which must have particularly caught everybody's eyes, were, those of the Macao Electric Lighting Company, Ltd., which displayed their goods, very artistically, in up-to-date stands. The "Frigidaire" was there, producing ice and cold drinks; and the electric washer and mangle was constantly set in motion. Abat-jours, electric cooking, heating utensils, and a varied assortment of electric lamps, were all functioning, the multi-coloured lights producing very charming effects. In their central stand, a huge Portuguese flag, in natural colours, appeared to be waving in the air and it was admired by every one, and the Portuguese greatly appreciated the compliment. It is said that more than 200,000 persons visited the Fair, which was a huge success, for such a small Colony like this. The untiring efforts of the Fair Committee contributed much towards this good result.

The Police and the firemen were there, the former also regulating the traffic and the latter, although only called out once to extinguish an incipient fire, were, nevertheless, always ready for any emergency.

The presence of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, as well as that of His Honour the Chief Justice, Mrs. Southorn and so many other leading citizens is evidence of the deep interest they take in the movement, and is a great encouragement to us.

A Progressive Movement.

Though the aims of the Boy Scout movement are well known to you, I should like, for the benefit of those outside the Association, to emphasise the fact that Boy Scouting is non-military and non-political, and is without distinction of class or race. On these lines the system has grown, and on these lines it continues to grow and flourish throughout the world. During the last two years, the number of Boy Scouts has increased by over 300,000, and during the same period in this Colony it increased to such an extent that at one time the supply of available efficient officers was severely taxed. With the increase in numbers our expenses have gone up proportionately. We need more income; and it has occurred to us that the best way to secure it and to secure it regularly, is to appeal for more members, the fee being only \$5 a year. I am sure that this appeal will meet with a ready response from all sections of the community.

Bulwark Against Bolshevism.

Gentlemen, in the Boy Scouts' movement I see a great and effective influence making for the betterment of the world. It is a system which trains our youth to become good citizens, to be men of character and usefulness—men who are self-reliant and resourceful, who know the value of discipline and good order, and who are inspired by a sense of service to their neighbours. Such men will, to my mind, constitute the strongest bulwark against Bolshevism and Communism, the two evil forces which to-day threaten to subvert law and order, and to deprive us of our rights and liberty.

Sir Henry Pollock briefly outlined the bill in connection with the incorporation of the local Association. A vote of thanks to His Excellency terminated the meeting.

POSSIBILITY OF RICE SHORTAGE.

GRAVE FEARS REGARDING THE TRADE IN CANTON.

DISCONTENT IN POLICE FORCE.

CONSTABLES NOW THREATENING A "WALK-OUT."

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Grave fears are entertained in Canton regarding the future supplies of rice. Many merchants are discussing the advisability of closing down their business altogether owing to the dominance of the labour elements in the trade. Following the recent strike and the blockading of the rice mills and shops, conditions were granted to employees which will leave no profit to employers. Unless conditions are radically altered it is considered highly probable that many rice firms will refuse to carry on after Chinese New Year; a number of them are already adopting an attitude of indifference towards orders for the coming season.

Before the Kuomintang leaders left for Central China last Sunday they had what might be called a "heart to heart" talk with the professional labour officials and cautioned them to be less extreme in their demands. So far, however, this good advice does not appear to have had much effect.

Replying to the many complaints regarding the high price of fire-wood in Canton, the merchants concerned state that since 1923 the transportation costs along the Kwangtung section of the Canton-Hankow railway, by which fire-wood is shipped from the Northern districts, have increased by 400 per cent.

The Constant Demands for Money.

The fifty or more trade guilds forming the General Chamber of Commerce in Canton, at a meeting last week, decided to request the Kuomintang to withdraw their order that the members of the Chamber should raise another \$2,000,000 in support of the war funds. The guilds contend that the first forced loan of \$2,000,000 caused no little hardship to the merchants whose trade during the past few months has been generally very bad. This further demand, they state, will mean very considerable suffering. The Guilds repudiate the pledge given on the ground that the pledge was made without their consent.

It is probable that the Ministry of Finance will be the last department of the Kuomintang to remove from Canton to Wuchang. The Ministry is now raising from \$7,000,000 to \$8,000,000 and it is not desired that there should be any sudden interruption of this business. Moreover, the Ministry is now training a Preventive Service of 5,000 men at Whampoa.

Pirates in Disguise.

A band of pirates, in the guise of labour leaders and pickets of the Sampan Dockyard Workers Union of Canton, raided 28 sampan yards at Ta-Tsai last week under the pretext of arresting non-union workers. They stole a good deal of property and took a number of people prisoners and are now holding them for ransom. When the sampan workers found how they had been duped they reported the matter to the Water Police in Canton. The usual "investigation" has been promised.

Constables Discontented.

Everything possible is being done by the higher officials of the Police Force in Canton to prevent a possible "walk out" of the lower ranks of the service. The policemen are complaining that their wages have remained stationary although there have been increases in other government departments. Moreover, a certain amount of discontent has manifested itself owing to the action of General Chien Ta Chun, the new Chief of Police, who is reported to have dismissed a number of district police captains.

THE RIVER STEAMERS.

"TAISHAN" DOCKED AND "LUNG-SHAN" TAKES HER PLACE.

The temporary alterations in the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's service between Hong Kong and Canton have come into effect.

The *Taishan*, which arrived back from Canton on Monday night, was taken off the run and was docked at Taikoo yesterday for overhaul. Her place is being filled by the *Lungshan*, which made her first night trip to Canton yesterday morning at two o'clock. She arrived back again last evening. She will continue the night-boat service until the *Taishan* leaves dock.

The *Kishan* has been diverted from the Macao run and will take the *Lungshan's* place on the day trips to and from Canton. The Macao service is now being maintained by the *Sui An* and *Sui Tai*.

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AND NEW YEAR GREETINGS will be
Accepted to GREAT BRITAIN, DENMARK,
SWEDEN, UNITED STATES, and CANADA, as
well as to CERTAIN OTHER PLACES at
SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES (Approximately
One-quarter Ordinary Rate) but
subject to a Minimum Charge corresponding
to TEN WORDS at the Reduced Rate.
The Telegrams will be delivered to the
Addressee on Special Delivery Forms during
Christmas Week or as near New Year's Day
as possible.
Further particulars regarding this Service
may be had on application.
E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, December 14th, 1926. [4300]THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH
CO., LTD., OF DENMARK.

HONG KONG STATION.

NOTICE.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
GREETING TELEGRAMS.FROM 15th TO 30th DECEMBER in-
clusive TELEGRAMS in Plain Lan-
guage containing CHRISTMAS AND NEW
YEAR GREETINGS will be Accepted to
GREAT BRITAIN, DENMARK, SWEDEN, UNITED
STATES, and CANADA, as well as to CERTAIN
OTHER PLACES at SPECIALLY REDUCED
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the Reduced Rate.
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Addressee on Special Delivery Forms during
Christmas Week or as near New Year's Day
as possible.
Further particulars regarding this Service
may be had on application.
E. JESSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, December 15th, 1926. [4299]TO BE SOLD, OR TO BE LET FURNISHED
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BARKER ROAD, PEAK.

Apply Box No. 4298.

c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [4298]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LTD.THE Certificate No. 1558 for One Silver
Share No. 1138 now converted into Five
Gold Shares in this Society standing in the
Name of CHAS. E. RICHARDSON of Hong
Kong has been declared LOST, and if at the
expiration of One Month from the Date hereof
the above Document be not forthcoming the
said Certificate will be deemed Cancelled and
of No Effect, and a NEW Certificate for the
Five Gold Shares will be issued in its stead by
the Society.
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd November, 1926. [4213]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Certificate No. 5/NS 4323 dated
HONGKONG, 2nd OCTOBER, 1917, for One
Share of this Bank Numbered 14067 in the
Name of Mr. LO KWONG HIN has been
LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate
not be produced to the Bank before the 9th
JANUARY, 1927, a New Certificate for the
Share will be issued, and the aforesaid Cer-
tificate No. 5/NS 4323 will be thereafter treated
by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926. [4291]HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Certificate No. 5/NS 4780 dated
HONGKONG, 31st AUGUST, 1917, for
Three Shares of this Bank Numbered 54094,
54095 and 54096 in the Name of Mr. LO KWONG
LUM has been LOST or STOLEN, and
should this Certificate not be produced to
the Bank before the 9th JANUARY, 1927,
a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued,
and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4780
will be thereafter treated by this Corporation
as NULL and VOID.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926. [4293]HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Certified Transfer Deed for One Share
of this Bank Numbered 62658 in the Name of
J. ANTHONY HENRY CARROLL stated
to have been completed by Mrs. E. M.
STAPLETON has been LOST or STOLEN,
and should this Certified Transfer Deed not be
produced before the 9th JANUARY, 1927,
a New Certified Transfer Deed will be issued,
and the aforesaid Missing Certified Transfer
Deed will be thereafter treated by this Cor-
poration as NULL and VOID.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926. [4298]

OLD CHELTONIAN DINNER.

OLD CHELTONIANS wishing to meet
together at DINNER to be held in the
HONGKONG CLUB on SATURDAY,
JANUARY 8th 1927, will please send their
Names to the Undersecretary as soon as possible
and in any event Not Later Than JANUARY
5th.
H. C. MACNAMARA,
c/o Hongkong Club. [4296]EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRIA-
LASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH
CO., LTD.

HONGKONG STATION.

FROM 15th DECEMBER, 1926, and until
Further Notice, Mr. E. A. LEGGATT
will be in Charge of the above Company's
Station at Hongkong.
E. J. PATTERSON,
Superintendent. [4294]

FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18th,
at 3.15 P.M.ADMISSION TO PUBLIC ENCLOSURE:
\$1. LADIES: FREE.ADMISSION TO SUBSCRIBER'S EN-
CLOSURE on Production of BADGE
Only.Subscribers can introduce Two Ladies Free,
and Two Non-Members at \$5 each. Tickets
obtainable from A. R. POTTS, c/o BENJAMIN
& POTTS.

SPECIAL TRAIN Leaves Kowloon: 2.07

Return Fare: 1st class, \$1.50; 2nd, 90 Cents.
Free Parking for Cars off the Course; \$5 Each
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STEEPLECHASINGNEW STOCK OF
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27th WING ROAD.

INTIMATIONS.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING OF PEAK TRAMWAYS COM-
PANY, LIMITED, will be held at the HONG
KONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Victoria, in
the Colony of Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the
20th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, at 11 o'clock
in the Forenoon, when the Subjoined Resolu-
tion will be proposed as an Extraordinary
Resolution, viz.:—
That the Regulations contained in the
printed document submitted to the
Meeting and for the purpose of identi-
fication subscribed by the Chairman
thereof be approved and adopted as the
Articles of Association of the
Company in substitution for and to
the exclusion of all existing Articles
thereof.AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that a Further EXTRAORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of the Company will
be held at the Same Place on MONDAY, the
TENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1927, at 11
o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of
receiving a Report of the Proceedings of the
above mentioned Meeting and of confirming,
if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the
above mentioned Resolution, and that the
above mentioned Resolution, dated this 19th
DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926,
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers. [4299]

NOTICE.

THE Government of the Straits Settlements
is prepared to consider Application for
the issue of a Lease of a piece of Crown Land
on PENANG HILL for the purpose of erecting a
HOTEL.The Site has been levelled and is about 54,000
sq. ft. in area. It is situated about 350 yards
from the Top Station of the Penang Hill Rail-
way at a height of about 2,400 feet above sea
level.The Lease will be for a Term of 99 years and
the Rent will be \$100 per annum.It will be a condition of the Lease that the
Lessee agrees to erect a Hotel within a Period
of Three Years in accordance with Plans which
have already been approved by the Government
of the Straits Settlements and that failure to
observe this condition will entitle the Govern-
ment to re-enter and resume possession of the
Land.The Lessee will also be required to enter in-
to a Bond in the sum of \$10,000 for the ob-
servance of the above condition.The approved Plans provide for the following
accommodation:—Reception Hall with Passenger Lift and
Stairs.Hotel Office, Post, Telegraph and Telephone
Offices with Private Exchange.

Hair Dressing Saloon.

Luggage Room.

Drying Room for Mattresses, etc.

Linen Room.

Wine Store.

Boys' Quarters and Duty Room with
Lavatories.Amah and Ayah Quarters and Duty Room
with Lavatories.

Kitchen Store.

Manager's Quarters (2 Rooms with Bath,
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GROUND FLOOR:—

Large Lounge.

Gentlemen's Reading Room.

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Large Kitchen.

Tea Bedrooms with Private Verandahs,
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Spacious Lounge with Extensive View.

Dining Room for 100 Guests with Floor
suitable for Dancing.A ample Severies with Food Lifts direct from
Kitchen and Pantry.Ten Bedrooms with Private Verandahs,
Baths and Lavatories.Four Suites with Bedroom and Sitting Room
and Private Verandahs.

Roof:—

Roof Garden Suitable for Dancing.

A ample Lavatory accommodation on the
Sewerage System also Hot and Cold Water—
Private Telephone to every Bedroom and
Electric Lights throughout.Applications in Sealed Covers and marked
on the outside "PENANG HILL HOTEL"
will be received at the RESIDENT COM-
MISSIONER'S OFFICE at PENANG up to MAY
31st, 1927.Plans can be seen and further Information
obtained at the Office of W. CAMPBELL
OMAN, F.R.I.B.A., 19-20, RAFFLES PLACE,
SINGAPORE.The Government of the Straits Settlements
does not bind itself to accept any application.
B. SCOTT,
Resident Commissioner,
PENANG. [4261]CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND OF SHARES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1926.THE Board having declared a FINAL
DIVIDEND OF 5% (five per cent),
free of Income Tax, for the Year ending 30th
JUNE, 1926, Holders of Bearer Shares and
Holders of Dividend Warrants received from
London on account of Registered Shares, will
be paid their Dividends on presenting No. 29
Coupon of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend
Warrants on Registered Shares, to either of
the following Banks:—THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA
AND CHINA.

THE BARQUE BRIDGE POST & EXCHANGE.

Payment will be made in Dollars at the
Buying Rate of Exchange of the Day.
P. C. YOUNG,
General Manager.
THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION. [4278]INVESTMENT Shares Negotiated in
small or large lots: Houses and Flats
managed and rented for owners going home.
Mortgages arranged on secured properties
yielding good interest. Apply the HONG-
KONG SMALL INVESTORS' SHARE
& REAL ESTATE CO. Telephone 5
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INTIMATIONS.

THE SPIRIT OF
CHEERFULNESS.Cheerfulness is largely a matter
of outlook. The world is never
such a bad place if thoughts dwell
on its bright side. After all the
happiest life is made up of work-
ing hard, playing hard, and rightly
appreciating upon suitable occasion
the really helpful partnership
of

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"WHITE
LABEL"AND
"VICTORIA,
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As supplied to the Houses
of Lords and Commons.By Royal Appointment to
His Majesty The King.

SOLE AGENTS:

A. S. WATSON
& CO., LTD.

BIRTHS.

BAHLMANN.—On December 7th, at the
Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr.
and Mrs. R. BAHLMANN, a daughter.BERNARD.—On December 14th, at The
Mouth, 117, The Peak, Hong Kong,
to Mr. and Mrs. D. G. M. BERNARD,
a son. [4301]LITTLE.—On December 10th, 1926, to Mr.
and Mrs. C. J. LITTLE, of Shanghai,
a daughter.Hong Kong Office: 14, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 15th, 1926.

THE DANGER OF UNION RULE
IN CANTON.THERE is no need to question the
popularity of the Southern cause. Where-
ever the Canton armies go they are
welcomed by the people. In the first
flush of enthusiasm flags are hoisted and
great parades and demonstrations are
arranged in their honour. Everywhere
they are proclaimed as the future rulers
of the country whose one object is to
restore peace and prosperity to a land
which for too long has been harassed and
impoised by the petty wars of con-
tending military factions. We certainly
do not grudge the Nationalists these
outward symbols of success, nor do we
desire to enquire too closely into their
real significance, but it is necessary to
point out that promises and propaganda
are not sufficient in themselves to bring
about the unification of China or to
carry the Southerners to complete power.
The promises must be carried into effect.
If the hopes raised by clever propaganda
are not realised reaction is bound to
follow. And herein, of course, lies the
danger of using "propaganda" without
due regard to practical possibilities.
When people have been led to expect a
new heaven and a new earth their dis-
content is extreme if they find, under
the new régime, that their condition is
no better, and perhaps actually worse,
than it was before.Look at the position on the Yangtze.
Reuter reports that well-informed Chinese
and foreigners state that the situation
has changed considerably during the past
six weeks. They assert that while the
Cantonese were welcomed as deliverers
on their arrival, heavy taxation, strikes
and lack of control have since alienated
large numbers of Chinese. Conditions
are somewhat similar in Canton. When
the boycott was terminated in October
it was generally thought that trade would
revive and add to the prosperity of the
province by reducing unemployment to a
minimum. But since the boycott there
has been nothing but a long series of
strikes in one trade after another and
business, generally speaking, is no better
now than it was three months ago. The
Chinese merchants are groaning under
the heavy burdens they are called upon
to bear and a good many of them, in-
stead of looking forward to a period
of prosperity, have to choose between
going out of business or facing bank-
ruptcy. That record does not redound
to the credit of the Canton Adminis-
tration.The whole trouble unquestionably
springs from the fact that the Labour
Unions are taking the law into their own
hands. They are obviously very largely
in control of the situation and they are
taking advantage of their "wonderful
liberty" in order to make demands which
trade and industry cannot meet. It is
possible, perhaps, to secure a temporary
peace by the payment of what amounts
to little less than blackmail, but such
payments only whet the appetites of the
Labour leaders and very quickly
more and more extravagant conditions
are formulated. Canton is feeling the
strain now. Trade is languishing instead
of reviving. The breaking point must
soon come if the present policy is allowed
to continue.The foreigner is always accused of
having scant sympathy with "the poor
down-trodden Chinese worker." It is,
however, largely sympathy with the
honest worker which causes the foreigner
to protest vehemently against the attitude
of the Union officials, most of whom have
probably never done an honest day's
work in their lives. They are not suffer-
ing but they are inflicting unnecessary
hardships upon thousands of others less
fortunate placed than themselves. Is
the illegal picketing of the Canton
steamers helping the workers? It is
keeping hundreds of coolies out of em-
ployment. There is no question of a
wages dispute. The Canton Seamen's
Union is making impossible demands. It
is fighting, in effect, to secure control
of the Company so that it may dictate
its policy in the future. The business
of a number of banks has been suspended
because the Union officials are endeav-
ouring to introduce a stipulation that
no employee shall be dismissed without
the Union's consent being obtained.
Hundreds of thousands of dollars worth
of cargo belonging to Shanghai traders
in the China Merchants Steam Navi-
gation Company's steamers has been
allowed to rot owing to some political
dispute between the Unions and this Com-
pany. Now we hear of demands for
"social expenses" made by rich
coolies on motor-car owners. They are
following the example of the Swatow
riches coolies who have wrecked a
number of motor-buses and wounded
several chauffeurs because they imagined
the service would interfere with their
livelihood. If things are allowed to go
on as they are going we shall soon have
reports of railway lines being torn up
again by the ignorant masses.We believe the Canton officials realise
the danger and we give them credit for
a desire to put an end to this labour
tyranny which may easily and quickly
develop into mob rule. We notice with
interest that the Chief of Police, a
military leader with forces at his com-
mand, has threatened to take stern
measures against agitators. But threats
are not sufficient at this juncture. Picket-
ing and intimidation are still being
practised and prompt action is necessary
to put a stop to it. If such action is
taken there is still hope of a trade
revival and prosperity. If nothing is
done prices will continue to soar. Mer-
chants will give up the struggle in
despair—later, reports say that many
large rice dealers in Canton are already
contemplating this—and instead of the
"model government" promised in Kwang-
tung we shall have something akin to
anarchy. The Canton officials want more
stiffening before they can claim to be
responsible and efficient rulers. Constant
surrender to clamour will neither bring
them prestige nor lead to reform.There will be a lecture by Capt. Miles
on "Wireless Telegraphy" this evening
at 5.30 at the Helena May Institute.Among the passengers on the Blue
Funnel liner Hector, which sails to-day
is Sir Talbot Scarsbrick, who is booked
for Port Said.An applications is to be heard at the
Supreme Court to-day in connection with
the winding-up of the Oriental Commer-
cial Bank, Ltd. (in liquidation).At St. Stephen's Girls' College last
evening, in aid of St. John's Cathedral
Organ Fund, Missions to Seamen, and
St. Peter's Church Funds, a capital con-
cert was given, every contribution being
thoroughly enjoyed.Four Chinese soldiers have been ad-
mitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital with
various wounds. They belong to General
Lo Kwan's army, and received their
wounds in a fight with General Chiang
Kai Shek's forces at Lung Kung, in the
Waichow district.A dinner for Old Cheltonians is to be
held at Hong Kong Club on Saturday,
January 8th, 1927. Old Cheltonians wish-
ing to meet together on this occasion are
asked to send their names to Mr. H. C.
Macnamara, c/o Hong Kong Club not
later than January 5th.There will be an extraordinary meeting
of the Hong Kong and Territorial
Estates, Ltd., at St. George's Building,
at 11 a.m. to-day. The business before
the meeting is the passing of a resolution
to increase the capital by 100,000 new pre-
ference shares of \$10 each.Miss A. Norga, of 54, Kowloon Tong,
reported to the Police that when she
alighted from a bus at the junction of
Nathan and Jordan Roads, Kowloon,
on Monday, a Chinese snatched a gold chain
with cross from her neck and ran away.
He has not yet been caught.Organised by the Victoria Branch of
the Ministering Children's League, an
enjoyable dance was held at the Helena
May Institute last night. The arrange-
ments for the function, which was well
attended, were made by a committee of
ladies comprising Mrs. Hazeland, Mrs.
Seth, Mrs. Lammer, Mrs. Bunje and
Mrs. Brister. The Lyric Orchestra pro-
vided the dance music.Following the success of the inaugural
dinner dance at the Kowloon Hotel last
week, a similar function is being held
to-morrow evening. The charge will be
82 per cover, and for the dancing the
"Black Cat Orchestra" will be present.
On Xmas Eve and New Year's Eve
there are to be special dinner dances, for
which \$2.50 per cover will be charged.
There will be many "novelties" on that
occasion.The death is announced from Shang-
hai of Mr. J. G. Pedley, who recently
had been a member of the China Press
staff, but whose occupation for many
years was that of "piece-goods." Mr.
Pedley passed away at the General Hos-
pital, following a very brief illness. He
was wounded in the War, and it was
revealed at the inquest, which followed
his death, that he had been suffering from
hemorrhage, and that a piece of shrapnel
still adhered to one of his lungs. De-
ceased leaves a widow and two children
at present in England.In applying for the re-hearing, yester-
day morning before Major C. Willson
at the Central Magistracy of a case when
3 Chinese were charged with assault and
were sent to prison for 3 months, Mr.
Lo said if the case had been properly put,
the Magistrate would never have convicted.
He quoted from the local papers and
drew the Magistrate's attention to the
fact that in a similar case before the first
Magistrate, Mr. R. E. Lindell, yester-
day, the defendants were each fined \$1
and ordered to sign a bond for \$60 to
keep the peace. The application was
granted.In connection with the St. John
Ambulance Brigade Shield Competition
on Sunday for the "Ralphs" Shield,
each Division will fall in on the Murray
Parade Ground at 8.30 a.m., not 9 a.m.
as last Sunday. At least 80 per cent.
of members of each Division must be pre-
sent and take part in the Competition.
Marks will be deducted for any absentees
below this figure. All will attend with
stretchers and full equipment. Uniform
will be helmet, shorts, puttees, water bot-
tles (filled) haversacks, etc. The
maximum marks for each event will be
25. The tests will be carried out in
different parts of the ground, but for the
purpose of judging the stretchers will be
brought together and grouped according
to the test numbers, at appointed
stations.WELL-KNOWN BILLIARD PLAYER
AT HONG KONG.MR. H. W. STEVENSON PASSES
THROUGH.TO PLAY AT LOCAL CLUBS IN
JANUARY.Mr. H. W. Stevenson, the world famous
billiard player, passed through Hong
Kong yesterday en route to Shanghai and
Japan on the s.s. Takikawa.Mr. Stevenson expects to return to the
Colony about January 26th, and will play
at several local clubs.Mr. P. T. Farrell, Secretary of the
Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders
of Hong Kong, is in charge of the
arrangements in connection with Mr.
Stevenson's visit to Hong Kong next
month.Mr. Stevenson has visited Hong Kong
before, and played eight or nine matches
here during April or May, 1923.

STATE OF AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

TIENTSIN ARRESTS: BIAS BAY PIRATES.

THE TARIFF CONFERENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 13th.

In the House of Commons, Sir Frederick Hall, "in view of the use made for propaganda purposes of unauthorised statements with regard to the Government's policy with regard to China," asked for a discussion on the subject before the House rose.

Replying to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Sir Frederick Hall explained that he referred to statements by unauthorised persons connected with the House of Commons.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin thought it was impossible to find time for such a discussion.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

THE TIENTSIN ARRESTS.
STATEMENT IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Requy, December 13th.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Mr. Lester Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, made a statement regarding the arrest in the British Concession at Tientsin of certain Chinese and their delivery to the Chinese police.

He said that on November 23rd the police of the British Municipal area, acting on information given by the Chinese city police that certain premises in that area were the headquarters of a treasonable and anarchist secret society which was a menace to the peace of the community, raided the house in question. They arrested fourteen persons and seized inflammatory literature affording prima facie evidence that the house was used for propaganda, inciting to violence against foreigners and against all constituted government.

At the time of the raid the British municipal police had no knowledge that the premises were the local headquarters of the Kuomintang Party nor did any of the arrested persons claim to belong to the Kuomintang or to be political refugees.

After effecting the arrest the municipal police reported the matter to the British Consulate-General which directed that the accused be held in custody by the municipal police while it referred for instructions to the British Minister at Peking. The Minister directed the Consul-General to follow the usual procedure and to hand over the accused on production by the Chinese police of a warrant issued by the competent Chinese authority. On the issue and production of such a warrant the prisoners were handed over to the Chinese police on November 26th. This action was in accordance with the settled policy of the British authorities in China, that Chinese subjects by the mere fact of residence in a British Concession should not be sheltered from the jurisdiction of their own authorities. The local Chinese authorities to which event action they may have belonged have constantly pointed out that if shelter is given to persons conspiring against them in foreign concessions they cannot be responsible for maintaining law and order and for the protection of foreign life and property in Tientsin.

In this case the search was carried out by the municipal police at the request in person of an officer of the Chinese city police who ordinarily issues warrants, and therefore it was not considered necessary to complete the warrant before making the raid.

The prisoners have not been delivered to military authorities but are still in custody of Chinese City Police.

PUNGENT LOCAL COMMENT.

For brazen effrontery and mendacity, says the *Peking and Tientsin Times* of December 6th, it would be difficult to beat the telegram sent to the British Foreign Office on December 2nd, regarding the surrender to the Chinese Authorities at Tientsin of the fourteen Chinese arrested by the British Municipal Police on November 23rd. It is stated that this cable was despatched after a "thorough investigation of the matter." It would be of some interest to know by whom the examination was made, and who invented the lying statements with which the telegram abounded. "These fourteen Chinese were peacefully living within the limits of the British Concession, which is Chinese territory."

How many of them were living within the British Concession we do not know. Certain it is that they were arrested in a house within the Concession limits which was being used as headquarters for the storing and dissemination of propaganda hostile to the Manchurian authorities, and to the British. The arrest of one of the band in a Chinese cotton mill, in the act of distributing Kuomintang propaganda, enabled the local Chinese authorities to obtain information as to the location of its headquarters. And a formal request was made to the British authorities for a raid upon the premises, and the arrest of the persons found therein, on charges of conspiring against law and order and inciting to commit a breach of the peace. The raid was duly made, several men were seized at the time, together with about a ton of anti-foreign and anti-Fengtien literature, and further arrests were effected as men unsuspectingly visited the premises, bringing the total up to fourteen in all.

The local Ching Cha Thing (Chinese Police Department) thereupon issued a warrant for the arrested men, and presented it to the British Legation. And the men are still in the custody of the Chinese City Police, awaiting trial.

After quoting the Canton Note on contemporary continues: "For years past it has been the custom of the local

British authorities to hand over to the City Authorities any Chinese for whom a warrant was issued in the proper form, charging a specific offence. This practice is so widely known among the local Chinese that it has had an appreciable effect upon land values in the British Municipal Area, which are relatively lower than in the French Concession, where the Authorities have adopted a somewhat different attitude, towards Chinese warrants. Unless it can seriously be argued that the men handed over to the City Police are political refugees, the British Authorities had no other course than to hand over the men for trial. The fourteen Chinese handed over to the City Police had not run into the British Concession for asylum. They were charged with "conspiring against law and order and inciting to commit a breach of the peace."

The Canton Note states that the handing over of these Chinese "seems to indicate clearly enough that the British authorities in China are deliberately giving assistance to the political and military adversaries of the Nationalist Government." It indicates nothing of the kind. The local authority with whom the British and every other nation in Tientsin have to deal under existing conditions, is the Tupan. Him only can they hold responsible for the maintenance of peace and order in this district. To him only can they make representations if the interests and the safety of their nationals are menaced. It is useless to protest to Peking or to Canton, or Wuchang. It would obviously be unfair, as well as absurd, to hold the Tupan responsible for the maintenance of peace and order, and the protection of foreign lives and property within his jurisdiction, if the Authorities in the Foreign Concessions permitted them to be used as headquarters for seditious activities, beyond their boundaries.

FROM THE WAR FRONTS.

A FEW SKIRMISHES.

LEADERS STILL NEGOTIATING.

Negotiations between leaders and occupations of undefended towns are the main news from the war front but, according to the *C. C. Post* a number of small engagements have recently taken place. All troops under the command of Lu Chin San and Yang Sen have retired from Tientsin and district. They retired in the first instance to Chungkingchow, and for several days it was expected that a peace pact would be signed which would enable the Southern forces to take over this section of the country, and the news was given out that peace had been declared. This was not, however, the case; the Northern force retired to Cheko, and intimidated their intention of fighting.

Another force which was sent to take over the Kinchow district was told to return. In Chinese circles it is reported that the representative of General Lu Chin San, who is in Hankow, is unable to give a satisfactory explanation of these events, and that an attack on all fronts held by Lu and Yang Sen's men has been ordered.

HONAN REPORTS.

It is reported that all the troops under the command of Governor Kow Yip Chieh which were in Hupeh have been retired to Honan. No reasons are given for this retirement, and they were not attacked.

"For a Certain Cash Consideration."

According to Chinese reports an arrangement has been completed between Chin Yuen Ao and the Southern command whereby for a certain cash consideration, the former will hand over two hundred empty railway trucks which are at present in and around Singyangchow. That negotiations with this gentleman have been proceeding for some time is well known, and that the negotiations were to do with the opening of the railway has also been published, but the sale of a number of cars belonging to the railway is new. In any case if such a thing is contemplated, engines will have to be sent to pull them, and there are already sufficient trucks in Southern hands to overtax the limited engine power in their possession.

Fengtien Movements.

Beyond the published statement that Fengtien troops have been recalled from Kiangsu there is no word of any movement. Rumours are all to the effect that Fengtien has decided not to interfere with the progress of the Southern forces in the Yangtze Valley. This is being widely advertised which is probably the reason why few believe it.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BIAS BAY PIRATES.

QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, December 13th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. H. W. Looker, Mr. Locker Lampson said the Government was carefully examining the whole question of measures to be taken to deal with the Bias Bay pirates. A final decision had not yet been reached, but if possible it would be desirable that the Canton authorities should themselves take action. He asked for notice of a question whether negotiations were occurring with the Canton authorities with a view to joint operations.

THE TARIFF CONFERENCE.

The Chinese Commission connected with the Tariff Conference has decided to request the Powers to give a definite reply to the Chinese proposal that the Conference be resumed within a fortnight.

DISTRESSING TRAGEDY
IN FRANCE.TERRIBLE EFFECT OF EXPLOSION
IN CHEMICAL RESERVOIR.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED.

HEROIC RESCUE EFFORTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, December 14th.

Fifteen persons were killed and 30 seriously injured at Saint Auban, near Digne, through the explosion of a reservoir containing 20,000 kilograms of liquid chlorine. The roof of the factory fell in and volumes of deadly gas swept into the building. Some were killed outright, others struggled blindly through the fumes groping for an exit, while others, unscathed, scrambled on the wreckage and wildly stampeded for the open air only to be overcome and asphyxiated.

Heroic efforts were made to rescue a number who were imprisoned in the building, where there were 1,500 employees.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

MEDICAL CENTENARY.

HONOURING THE MEMORY OF
LAENNEC.

PARIS, December 14th.

With the attendance of numerous foreign physicians began the three-day celebration centenary of the death of Laennec, the great French doctor and inventor of auscultation and the stethoscope.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENERAL HERTZOG.

ACCORDED A HEARTY PUBLIC
WELCOME.

ALL FOR THE EMPIRE.

CAPETOWN, December 13th.

General Hertzog, Premier of the South African Union, has arrived and was accorded a great public welcome. Crowds gathered at the Docks early in the morning and the streets were packed.

A Mayoral reception was held under the statue of King Edward on the Grand Parade.

Replying to eloquent speeches by the Mayor and Administrator of Cape Province, General Hertzog expressed himself as deeply touched by the totally unexpected warmth of the people, though perhaps he should have been prepared therefor by the news of how the great act of statesmanship at the Imperial Conference was received in South Africa. He added that the people of South Africa, both English and Dutch, felt as one upon a subject upon which they were going to continue to feel and act as one. (Cheers.) The work accomplished had behind it the soul and spirit of the whole British Empire.

White-clad students hailed General Hertzog's carriage to Government House.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

CONVERTED TO IMPERIALISM.

Feeling of Love and Respect for Britain.

Requy, December 14th.

General Hertzog, on reaching Capetown yesterday from the Imperial Conference, delivered a speech which created a deep impression. He said that he had hitherto been a life-long antagonist of imperialism, but after the declaration issued by the Imperial Conference he no longer had the least fear of our Empire and was convinced that for the Dominions as for Britain there was no other path along which the interest of each individual and associated state and interest of them all could be better safeguarded. If he were a South African of English descent, he would feel all the more love and respect for Britain as a country, which through free constitutions and commonsense use of them, had made younger nations. As free as the Motherland and at the same time standing in a close attitude of affection.

RUBBER EXPORTS.

AN OFFICIAL EXPLANATION.

LONDON, December 13th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Penny, Mr. Amery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that detailed figures of the actual quantity of rubber held in the East on October 31st last against unused export rights showed that a proportion of the unused permits outstanding on October 31st in Ceylon and Malaya were held without an equivalent amount of rubber.

After full consideration of the issues involved, and with the concurrence of the Government concerned, he had come to the conclusion that no interference with the validity of such permits would be justified. On October 31st, there were outstanding unused permits in Ceylon to an amount representing approximately 15,000 tons of which 7,000 tons were held with rubber. In the Malayan restriction area, the permits outstanding represented 24,839 tons of which dealers held 6,315 tons with a full equivalent of rubber, and producers in the Malay States with properties over 100 acres held permits for 6,507 tons, with 1,129 tons of rubber. Similar information with regard to the smaller producers in the Malay States and producers generally in the rest of the Malayan restriction area were not available.

THE GENEVA DISARMAMENT
DISCUSSIONS.

LORD CECIL'S REVIEW.

EXPLAINS HOW CONCLUSIONS
WERE REACHED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 14th.

Reviewing the Geneva disarmament discussions, in a speech to the League of Nations' Parliamentary Committee at the House of Commons last night, Lord Cecil said the agreement had been reached on the fundamental point that the object of reduction or limitation must be actual peace armaments of the different countries and that it was impossible to limit the potential war strength which depended on various uncontrollable factors such as geography, population and natural resources.

The view generally held was that the first criterion should be the number of men. The conclusion thus based could be carefully checked by comparison of the budget expenditures. Further a possible check was the comparison of budget expenditures.

A further possible check was a detailed scrutiny of expenditure on certain types of arms such as guns and tanks. Regarding the divergent views on the methods of measuring naval armaments, Lord Cecil thought a compromise might be reached by combining the limitation of total tonnage with an agreement on future building programmes.

The air limitation was more difficult, but experts appeared to favour a limitation of total horsepower of each country's whole air force.

Lord Cecil expressed the belief that short of a disclosure of military secrets, full information on the strength of each country's armed forces could be given to the League, and nothing was better calculated to create a sense of confidence.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MAMMOTH TRANS-
ATLANTIC LINERS.TWO OF 46,000 TONS FOR THE
N.D.L.

BERLIN, December 14th.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd has decided to order two Trans-Atlantic liners of 46,000 tons each, able to reach New York in six days from Bremerhaven and five from Channel ports.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN'S ILLNESS.

TOKYO, December 14th.

The Prince Regent's intention to return to Tokyo to-day has been altered owing to the Emperor's condition.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMANY "BREATHES AGAIN."

GRATIFIED WITH GENEVA
RESULTS.

BERLIN, December 13th.

"Germany has no reason for jubilation, but she can breathe again, for one of the heaviest fetters of Versailles has fallen off." This phrase in a Nationalist paper, summarises the attitude of the German press towards the results achieved at Geneva, where Dr. Stresemann has certainly strengthened his position. It is generally agreed that the next step in the realisation of Germany's political aims must be to concentrate on the most important problem, namely the early evacuation of the Rhineland, which it is believed will occur in 1927.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

THE GERMAN CLAIMS'
SETTLEMENT.MR. KELLOGG'S LETTER TO THE
SENATE.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.

Mr. Kellogg, the State Secretary, in a letter to the Senate says that the German Claims' Settlement has been reached without any modification of United States rights.

WORLD'S LARGEST SUSPENSION
BRIDGE.

TO SPAN THE HUDSON RIVER.

NEW YORK, December 13th.

The War Department has finally approved of the construction of what will be the largest suspension bridge in the world.

It will span the Hudson River, from Washington Heights of Manhattan Island to Fort Lee, on the Jersey side. The construction will begin forthwith and will take about five years, at a cost of \$50,000,000.

For returning from banishment, a Chinese was sentenced to 8 months with hard labour yesterday at the Central Magistracy by Major C. Willson. It appeared that on the first occasion defendant was sent to prison for three months with hard labour for kidnapping, and banished for five years in 1910. He returned to the Colony two years later and was then banished for twenty years.

At the Kowloon Magistracy on Monday, Mr. B. L. Dunnitt was fined \$10 and \$7 respectively for driving a motor-cycle without an appropriate licence, and failing to have an efficiently illuminated light on the side car. Mr. A. May was fined \$5 for permitting his cycle to be driven by an unlicensed driver. At the same Court, Mr. E. C. Witchell, jr., was fined \$8 for failing to have full control of his motor-cycle in Jordan Road, on the morning of December 1st.

THE LIBERAL PARTY
AND "FUSION."VISCOUNT GREY DENOUNCES
MR. LLOYD GEORGE.EX-PREMIER WON'T "KEEP
STEP.""GEORGIANS" STILL HOLD THE
PURSE STRINGS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 14th.

A fusion of all the Liberal forces and funds, which was brought forward as a resolution at a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Party on November 24th, following upon an offer by Mr. Lloyd George to finance the Liberals at the next General Election, now seems unlikely.

Viscount Grey, presiding at a dinner in honour of Mr. Vivian Phillips, the Chief Liberal Organiser, declared that it was not the question of leadership or of creating an organised scheme within the Party but that the feeling of mutual trust was absolutely impossible, as confidence had been destroyed. It was impossible to keep step with Mr. Lloyd George. "If we said we were ready to march side by side, we should be ready and not fall out of step within a short time. It was not we but he who changes his step. It was not Mr. Asquith and his friends who were responsible for the disunion."

Mr. Lloyd George's speech on China. Viscount Grey thought that Mr. Lloyd George's speech about China was detrimental to British interests and it would make a settlement in China more difficult. "British policy and reputation were already most unfairly represented in China, that any leading man in the public life of Britain should make a speech to add to such an impression abroad was most unfortunate."

When the resolution was passed on November 24th, the Asquithians, headed by Mr. Vivian Phillips, walked out in protest.

RUMOURED SALE OF A
PHILIPPINE ISLAND.FILIPINO'S "GREATLY
PERTURBED."

A DENIAL FROM TOKYO.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, December 13th.

Commenting on a report from Manila that the sale of the Philippine Island of Fuga to a Japanese syndicate is being negotiated, well-informed quarters point out that the transfer privately-owned land to foreigners does not change the nationality of the property, but the Philippine Government, if it thought that any foreign Government was seeking a foothold in the Philippines, could bring proceedings to negative the sale.

[Fuga is a small island off northern Luzon and south of Bolineang Channel.]

Philippines Perturbed.

MANILA, December 14th.

The Philippine Government officials are greatly perturbed over the reported attempts of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha to buy Fuga Island, off North Luzon, near Formosa, legal opinion being that the only way to block the sale will be to resort to expropriation proceedings.

Manuel Quezon yesterday conferred with Vicente Masigan, the owner of the island, who said the Mitsui interests had secured an option until to-morrow. The broker handling the deal, says a cable from Tokyo, is expected this morning with the M.B.K.'s final decision.

The Mitsui Co.'s Attitude.

MANILA, December 14th.

The local office of the Mitsui Co. says that they will not buy Fuga if the Philippine Government objects to them doing so.

An Emphatic Denial.

TOKYO, December 14th.

The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha emphatically denies the report from Manila that they are attempting to buy Fuga Island.

U.S. SUBMARINES FOR PERU.

AN ORDER FOR TWO MORE.

NEW LONDON, CONN., December 14th.

The submarines R1 and R2, built here for Peru, have arrived at Callao, Peru, which has placed a contract for two more to be built immediately.

CANADIAN BLIZZARD.

ONE OF THE WORST FOR YEARS.

WINNIPEG, December 13th.

One of the worst blizzards for years swept the Prairie Provinces over the week-end. There were two fatalities in Alberta, a mother and a child being lost in the snow.

MOTOR-CYCLISTS FINED.

STUDENT WHO WAS "IN A
HURRY."

Before Major C. Willson, at the Central Police Court yesterday morning, Mr. M. Weall, of Messrs. Sennett Feres, was summoned for driving a motor-cycle at an excessive speed in Caine Road. He was fined \$15.

A Chinese was charged with driving a motor-cycle in a negligent manner in Garden Road.

Sgt. Wynne said that the defendant was passing Volunteer Headquarters at a fairly fast speed and attempted to overtake two taxi-cabs. He swerved to the right of an Indian constable who was on duty there and did not stop when witness signalled him to do so.

Sub-Inspector Alexander gave evidence that the place was a controlled area.

The defendant said he was in a hurry, as he had to sit for an examination, but denied that he was driving fast.

Major Willson imposed a fine of \$15.

SANITARY BOARD
BUSINESS.DELAY IN GRANTING RESTAU-
RANT LICENCES.MR. BRAGA AND SCHEMES FOR
THE NEW TERRITORY.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin during a discussion on restaurant licences cited a case of the granting of a licence being delayed for 62 days.

Mr. N. L. Smith (the President of the Board) said that it seemed to be a bad case and he would enquire into it.

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, pursuant to notice, asked:—

(i) Are applications for restaurant and eating house licences dealt with by the Inspectors of this Department and if so, what check is there that the same are dealt with promptly?

(ii) Are the ground surface of all premises used as restaurants and eating houses for which licences are applied for, to be opened up. If so, what are the reasons of so doing? Should not houses built after the Public Health and Building Ordinance of 1903, be exempted from such operations?

Replying to the first question, the President said:—

"All applications for restaurant and eating house licences are referred to the Sanitary Department by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the Colonial Treasurer respectively. The premises are then inspected by this Department's District Inspectors who report through the usual channels and any undue delay in furnishing such reports would be noticed. As a further precaution, I see personally at the end of each month the office copies of all such applications which have been more than ten days from the date of receipt from the Licensing Department to the date of their onward transmission."

Dr. Pope (the M.O.H.) replied to the second question as follows:—

"The ground surface of such premises are always opened up when there is any doubt whether their thickness or consistency complies with the requirements of the law. The reason is that only so can such thickness be ascertained. It is not considered that an occupation certificate of the Building Authority is sufficient evidence of the adequacy of ground surfaces for this purpose."

The insistence upon good ground surfaces in the premises where food is abundant is, of course, one of the measures whose aim is the reduction of rats."

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin referred to certain Ordinances. Under the requirements of the Ordinances he said, certificates were issued by the Department when the premises were kept in compliance with the law. He did not understand why the ground premises were to be opened up.

The President said that the question had been taken up with the Building Authority on several occasions, but it was felt that it was not sufficient for the purposes of the Ordinance to grant certificates in respect of such premises. The certificates was secured from the architect but he did not have an inspector or overseer visiting the premises the whole time to see whether the law was complied with. The President thought that delays averaged about, about 60 a month. Those which came to him were never more than 7 or 8 per month on the average, and all there were satisfactorily explained.

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin replied that in one case an application for a licence had been sent in but it was not issued until 62 days after. It was in respect of No. 15 Cheung Wan Street.

The President: I shall enquire into that. It seems a very bad case.

New Territories Schemes.

Mr. J. P. Braga, pursuant to notice, asked:—

PIG BREEDING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

What steps, if any, have the Government taken to carry out the suggestion of the Economic Resources Committee (1920), that there should be an earnest endeavour to make this Colony self-supporting in so vital a commodity as pig meat?

HONG KONG FOOD SUPPLY.

With a view to make the Colony less dependent on outside sources for its food supply and to check the tendency towards higher cost of daily necessities, and to bring down (if possible) the high price of foodstuffs, will the Government devise some schemes of bonus payment or other simple method of encouragement, to settlers in the New Territories with the object of fostering cattle and poultry farming and pig-breeding, and to cultivate market produce on a larger scale?

Is the holding in the New Territory of an annual cattle and poultry show feasible; and if so, will the Government initiate and help to defray the cost of such shows with a view to stimulate greater enterprise in agricultural pursuits and farming within the Colony?

The President: I am authorised to reply that in the opinion of the Government there are matters with which the Sanitary Board is not directly concerned, but the particulars have been sent to the Colonial Secretary for the information of the Government.

It is understood that the question in regard to an agricultural show is being considered by those interested.

Those present at the meeting were Mr. N. L. Smith (President of the Board), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (D.P.W.), Colonel Boylan Smith, Dr. Pope (M.O.H.), Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. S. W. Teo, Dr. S. C. Ho, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. B. A. D. Forrest (Secretary), and Mr. D. Davies (Assistant Secretary).

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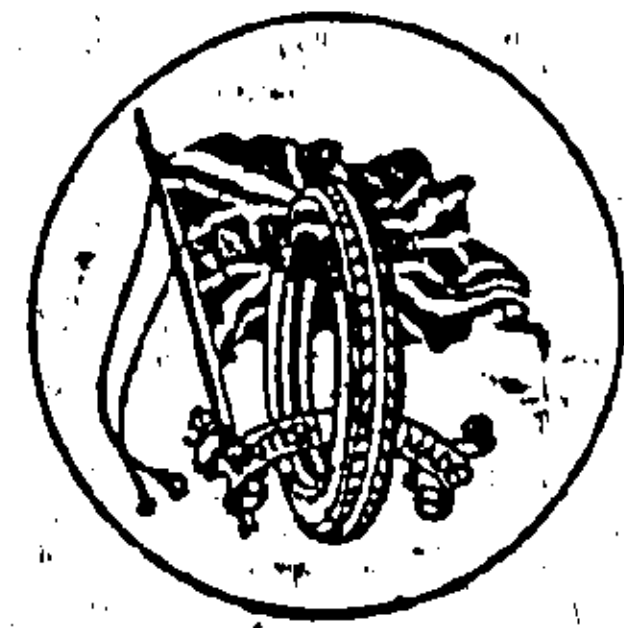
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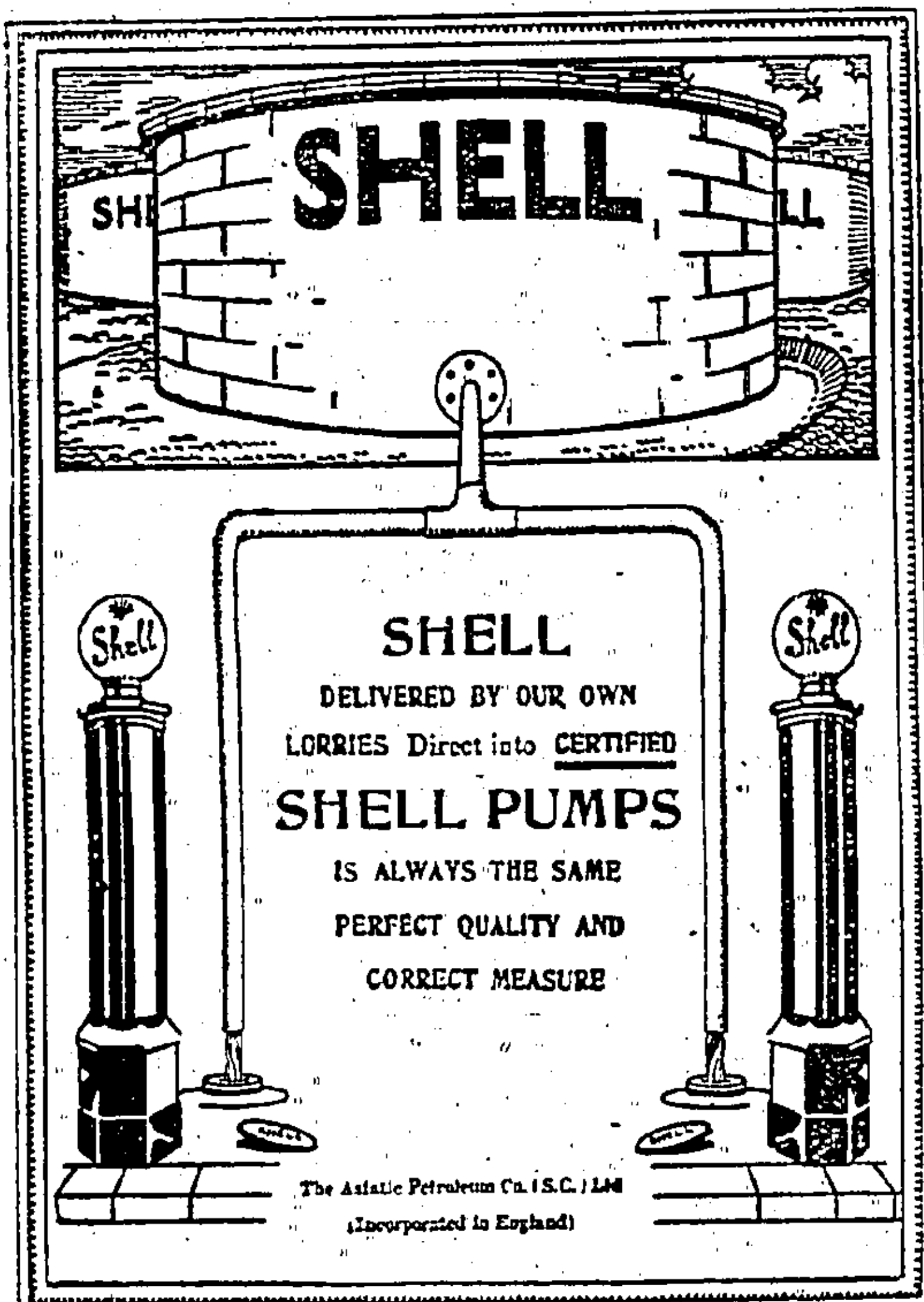
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Motoring Notes:

A Weekly
Review dealing

with matters of interest to all local motorists.—
The Obstructing Trees—A Punctured Tyre—Shockless Gear Changes—The Car
with No Gear Box.

[BY AN OWNER-DRIVER.]

THE OBSTRUCTING TREES.

From time to time motorists complain about trees that obstruct the road, but nothing is done to remove the obstacles. Those who do not drive a car genuinely believe that drivers are unreasonable in this matter. They argue, rightly enough, that trees are very beautiful and that we need to preserve the beauty of our local highways. Although some of the old books describe Hong Kong as "barren rock," none of us really want the place to deserve such a description.

THE DRIVERS.

The elderly gentlemen who rule over us do not like to take any action just because the young clamour about "the lack of progress" and "the conservative mind." They retort that there really is no great hurry and, the young, if they behave in an orderly manner, will have many years to live and will be able to speed along other highways when on leave.

The difficulty is that the young drivers cars and realise fully the danger of the trees that obstruct the road. The elderly gentlemen, if they are in a position of authority, invariably have chauffeurs who do not explain the anxieties caused by the trees.

Let us consider that great bugbear to all local motorists—the tree on Garden Road just outside the Helena May Institute. Time after time motorists have tried to persuade the authorities to remove that tree. They have not yet succeeded although they will continue to appeal about that tree until it is removed.

It may, of course, take a coroner's inquest and a rider by the jury to the effect that the tree was the direct cause of a fatality before action is taken.

THE MOTOR-CYCLIST.

A few evenings ago a car was coming down Garden Road with the headlights full on. The local practice is to dim the lights when another car is coming towards the driver, but the practice cannot be enforced and there are some drivers who probably disapprove of it. Anyhow they don't dim their lights.

On this particular occasion the driver did not dim.

The motor-cyclist coming up Garden Road could not see ahead because of the blinding glare. He did what seems to be a sensible thing. He watched the edge of the pavement to make sure that he was on the right side of the road.

Before he had gone very far he crashed into the tree that stands out in the road. He was lucky to escape with a few minor injuries. His machine was wrecked, but fortunately for him he was not badly injured.

It was but small compensation to him to explain that the tree is really very beautiful.

"Why do they make a road if it is not safe for traffic?" he said, as we discussed his grievance. He wanted to claim damages as he was not insured but he was persuaded not to throw good money after bad.

BE REASONABLE.

Now there must be many spots around the Helena May Institute where trees can be planted. By all means plant as many trees as is possible, always provided that they are not likely to obstruct the highways.

When they do obstruct the roads, then remove the trees.

Someday a child or an unfortunate collier will be killed at the Park Road end of Lytton Road where there still remains a tree more or less in the middle of the highway.

On behalf of motorists it may be said that they wish to make Hong Kong even more beautiful than it is to-day. They advocate tree planting. By all means plant thousands of trees each year—but keep them well off the highways.

There are many trees that grow quite quickly in this climate. It is true that old trees cannot be removed to another place. They can be cut down and other trees can be planted in adjacent positions.

There is a tree that some of us call "the castor oil tree" (that is not its correct name; castor oil berries do not grow on it); however, the tree with this local name grows very rapidly in this climate. It has the great advantage that it grows erect, the top part is full of foliage and the lower branches can be removed without in any way spoiling the appearance. Why don't they plant more of those trees? Not in the highway but at the side of the road.

A PUNCTURED TYRE.

A few weeks ago attention was drawn to the complaints that have been made by an owner driver about the willful cutting of a tyre on his car. He left the vehicle in Statue Square.

On Saturday last the writer of the note had the misfortune to have a similar experience.

He left his car on the parking space outside the Hong Kong Hotel, in broad daylight, for an hour.

An attendant was in the driver's seat, but very probably was asleep most of the time he was supposed to be on guard.

Everything seemed to be in order as we started off "home." In a few minutes it became evident that there was a puncture.

WATCH THE TYRES.

Now it so happens that the writer does not enjoy changing a wheel. It is one of the things connected with motoring in the tropics and in towns to which the fertile brains of clever inventors might give much more attention!

Anyhow, as things are, it means using a jack, spanners, etc. Some people can use those implement without getting themselves and their clothes in a mess. And there are some of us who are less fortunate. We do get dirty.

Therefore, the writer always watches his tyres very carefully. When the canvas appears to get a new tyre. He acknowledges that he sees his friends running tyres that show a great deal of canvas. They have either a simple faith, good luck, or a very economical type of mind.

Some of us prefer to lose a few dollars rather than to have the task of changing a tyre in the heat of the midday sun or in Hong Kong central. If we begin to change a tyre in central every friend and chance acquaintance comes along to make the task more unpleasant. So we "scrap" the tyres before they are really worn out.

A CRIMINAL ACT.

So that it happens very seldom to the writer that a tyre must be changed. In these days the roads on the island are so well surfaced that the tyres are rarely punctured by small bits of stone.

In this particular case, on Saturday last, before the wheel was removed the tyre was closely examined.

It had been deliberately cut in more than one place with a sharp instrument such as a pocket knife.

On examining the other three wheels, similar cuts were found on the other rear wheel. It was evident that some malicious person had been at work.

An appeal is made to all local owners of cars to do their utmost to obtain a conviction against this local pest. And if he is caught may the magistrate who sentences him be the owner of a car. Meantime let us all keep a sharp look out. Rumour has it that certain chauffeurs try this method of persuading owner drivers to employ out-of-work chauffeurs. If only we could catch these gentlemen at the game!

In these days tyres are most reliable. Modern motorists have, under normal circumstances, practically no anxieties about tyres, but nothing made of rubber, however, will stand up against such malicious usage.

The guards employed by the local Automobile Association and stationed outside the City Hall and at Kowloon might be instructed—even offered a reward—to secure the criminal who cuts tyres.

In Hong Kong the normal wear and tear on tyres is greater than in many other places because of the hills and the many sharp corners. If tyres are kept properly inflated they last well, even under the trying local conditions. It always pays to use a well-known make of tyre.

WHEN ON LEAVE.

The ideal method of spending a holiday in England is to obtain a car and tour through the West Country, Wales and the Midlands.

"See this world before you see the next" is the slogan of the tourist agencies. It is curious that people who spent their childhood in England or Scotland have been known to travel round the world but have never seen the beautiful country near their own homes.

THE NEW TRANSPORT.

A friend who has just come back from home leave is full of enthusiasm about the great success of his own ingenious experiment. He said that he could not afford a car so he and a "pal" went off on a motor 'bus jaunt.

He left London and managed to get down to Somerset all the way by motor 'bus! He came back to London by buses that ran on routes different to those he started off on.

There is now a regular motor 'bus service between Glasgow and Edinburgh. The single fare is 2s. 9d. and the return fare is 4s. 4d.

When we are going to have a regular motor 'bus service to Fanning Castle Peak!

It will come some day and the sooner it does come the better.

SHOCKLESS GEAR CHANGES.

Further evidence of the determination of inventors to make gear changing as easy as steering a car is suggested by the latest announcement of the Lea and Francis firm in England.

They have produced a changing gear of the constant mesh type.

Levassor invented the gear box in the very early days of the automobile and it is often said that despite the obvious disadvantages of the usual mechanism for gear changing, there has been practically no improvement since the days of Levassor's first effort.

The great improvements have been with materials rather than with the details of the mechanism.

The reason why many drivers like to have a car with a big engine is so that they are saved the anxiety of gear changing.

The big car, however, must be paid for. The cost of running a car with a 3,000 C.C. engine is considerably more than the cost of running a car with a 1,500 C.C. engine.

NO SKILL NEEDED.

The sponsors of the new constant mesh type gear claim that any novice can obtain shockless changes. No skill is needed to operate these gears.

The mechanism is rather difficult to explain without diagrams and technical terms. The majority of drivers of cars in these days are not, however, very well acquainted with the details of the transmission mechanism of their cars. So long as they keep the various parts of the mechanism well lubricated and the engine in good working order they are satisfied that the car will go well.

They will, naturally enough, be attracted by the idea of a car that requires no skill for gear changing.

Evidently inventors have not neglected the transmission mechanism of cars of late.

FRICITION GEARS.

There is one make of car that has an ingenious method of altering the gear ratio. For some reason which is not very obvious the device has not been used by other makers.

In this car—the G.W.K.—the gear control lever alters the distance between the centre of one disc and the rim of a disc at right angles to it.

An indefinite number gear ratios can be obtained with this arrangement.

The drawback is that it does not seem possible to transmit powers much above ten horse-power by this method. The friction drive probably slips at higher powers.

The car is, however, very easy for the beginner. It seems a pity that some such scheme cannot become universal.

DOUBLE DE-CLUTCHING.

One of the most difficult pieces of work for a beginner is changing from a high gear to one lower.

This operation is best done with a double de-clutch. That requires a steady nerve. It is as well to practice on a fairly old car.

If the beginner has any doubt about his ability to change easily from high gear to a lower one he can always stop the car.

One of the local garages used to insist on their chauffeurs stopping the cars at the difficult Dairy Farm Hill near to Pokfulam. They don't do that now but the drivers are very careful.

THE CAR WITH NO GEAR BOX.

One of the problems that is puzzling an owner driver is that of the remarkable new invention, the Constantanescoc car.

This car was the sensation of the French Motor Exhibition held in Paris a few days before the big British Show was opened at Olympia.

The car is an English invention and, as far as can be gleaned from the short statements that have appeared in the Press, the car is made in England.

Apparently it was not exhibited at Olympia. In all of the many press notices about the show that have been read by the writer there has been no mention of the car without a gear box.

CURIOUS MECHANISM.

There was a notice in one of the weekly illustrated society papers that described, in very general terms, the mechanism employed. It was, however, not a very convincing explanation.

It said something about the principle of relativity and higher mathematics, but the general tone of the article left one with the impression that the author of it had set out with the fixed idea that it was impossible to explain to the non-technical man the curious mechanism which has enabled the petrol engine to drive a car without any clutch or gear box.

Why was this car not exhibited at Olympia? Why have not the English technical journals given the usual advanced and detailed explanation of this apparently remarkable invention?

If it were not for the fact that the man whose name is associated with the new car is a remarkable mechanical genius one would be inclined to lose all interest in the subject.

He is, however, a great inventor. With modern mechanism he is perhaps the wizard of his age. There are men like Sir J. J. Thomson who can tell us of the wonders of the electron. There are many men of genius at work on all sorts of electrical problems.

This man, however, gives his attention to mechanism and has already made himself famous. Moreover, the car was on view at Paris and attracted quite a lot of attention.

WHAT IT DOES.

It is related that the engine has only two cylinders. There is no clutch and no gear box, but the gear ratio changes automatically.

Apparently the engine continues to maintain any required speed. The driver uses a foot-pedal to supply more or less mixture in the usual manner.

As the load increases—such as happens in leaving a level road for a hill—the transmission mechanism automatically adjusts itself. The speed of the driving road wheels drops but the speed of the engine is practically constant.

The mechanism is said to be comparable with the motion of a pendulum. The

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word "gyroscope" has been used as a
term of comparison.

It must be about twenty-five years ago that a motorist who had seen the working drawings of the then-unknown silent Knight engine explained the mechanism to the writer. The explanation was just enough to leave his mind thoroughly muddled but a few weeks later he saw the drawings which at once reminded him of those used for the once famous but now almost forgotten Williams steam engine.

If only we could obtain a set of working drawings of this new Constantanescoc car in Hong Kong!

Or, better still, if only some wealthy local citizen would cable an order for a car to be sent out at once. He could invite the members of the Automobile Association to see the works as soon as the car arrived!

He might even present a car, or a model of the mechanism, to the local Technical Institute. A mention of that Institute suggests that a course of instruction in driving at a cheap fee might lead to a reduction in the current rate of wages paid to local chauffeurs.

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HEAVY THROUGH FREIGHTS.

LOCAL IMPORTS DECREASED.

A decrease of over 125 per cent. in local imports over the previous day's returns was shown by the statements for the 24 hours ended yesterday at 9 a.m. The total amount of cargo at 9 a.m. was 5,987 tons, of which 1,928 tons were on British bottoms. With the exception of 1 steamer out of the 17 arrivals, no vessels carried a four-figure amount of cargo for Hong Kong.

Through freight manifested on vessels passing through showed an increase of about 30 per cent. over the previous day. The total tonnage of general merchandise carried for ports beyond was 31,484 tons, of which, 10,402 tons were on British vessels.

The *Atlas Maru* (Japanese) from Bremen and Singapore had 7,200 tons, the *s.s. Rangoon Maru*, from Calcutta and Singapore, 5,674 tons, the Danish vessel *Arabien*, from Port Arthur and Batavia, 5,000 tons. The blue funnel boat *Essoji*, from Taku Bar and Shanghai, had 4,792 tons, the *Kashmir* (British) from London and Singapore also carried 3,000 tons.

During the period under review, there were 17 arrivals and 8 departures. Their nationalities were: British 4 arrivals and 3 departures; Japanese 3 arrivals and 3 departures; Norwegian 1 arrival; Chinese 5 arrivals and 1 departure; Danish 1 arrival; Dutch 2 arrivals; French 1 arrival and 1 departure. Vessels in port totalled 81, of which, 30 were British.

The tabulated lists of arrivals and clearances will be found in another column.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Yesterday morning at the Marine Court before Lt. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., 4 Chinese were charged with boarding the *s.s. Fan Oon* without a permit. The first, third and fourth defendants were sentenced to 1 month's hard labour each, the second defendant, who had a previous conviction against him, was sentenced to 2 month's hard labour.

The *s.s. Tai Tak* (Portuguese) arriving from Keelung yesterday brought 2,500 tons of coal for local discharge.

The *City of Tokio*, of the Ellerman Bucknall line, arrived here yesterday from Otaru and Shanghai. She brought 300 live pigs for Hong Kong and also carried 1,000 tons of beans and general cargo for ports beyond.

Some 4,270 tons of sugar were discharged here yesterday from the *s.s. Taikoo Wan Yi*, which came into port from Balikpapan.

In a notice to the Harbour Master here, the Tsingtau Harbour Administration said that in the approaches to the inner harbour, No. 6 red frustum automatic gaslight buoy located in Lat. 38° 4' 48" North, Long. 120° 18' 53" E. at a distance of 2 1/2 cables North Westward of Horsehoe Reef Lighted Beacon is out of commission.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

CHANGES IN THE PERSONNEL.

The following are the latest changes in personnel of China Coast officers:—

Captain A. Tucker, of the *Kalgan*, is on Home leave.

Capt. A. J. Scott, from Home leave, has gone master, *Kalgan*.

Capt. J. D. Kraser, from Home leave, has gone master, *Chekiang*.

Capt. E. W. Potter, of the *Chekiang*, has gone master, *Shantung*.

Capt. R. Robertson, of the *Shantung*, is on reserve.

Capt. E. Monkman, of the *Chungking*, is on reserve.

Capt. A. von Winkler, of the *Changsha*, has gone master, *Chungking*.

Capt. A. Torrible, from Home leave, has gone master, *Changsha*.

Capt. A. H. Bathurst, from reserve, has gone master, *Changchow*.

Capt. C. E. Fisher, of the *Changchow*, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Nolan, chief officer, *Kwangsue*, has resigned.

Mr. G. R. Torrible, second officer, *Huphe*, is on reserve.

Mr. W. P. Bruce, from reserve, has gone chief officer, *Luchow*.

Mr. W. E. Awood, chief officer, *Luchow*, is on reserve.

Mr. L. A. Macfarlane, chief engineer, has gone to shore employment, C.N. Co.

Mr. E. D. Steen, second engineer, *Antung*, is on reserve.

Mr. G. Tate, third engineer, *Antung*, has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

Mr. F. C. Dart, second engineer, *Kalgan*, is on reserve.

Mr. R. D. Gall, from reserve, has gone second engineer, *Kalgan*.

Capt. C. More, of the *Hangsang*, has gone master, *Kwatsang*.

Capt. N. W. Van Cortlandt, of the *Kwatsang*, is on Home leave.

Mr. G. E. Vaughan, from reserve, has gone chief officer, *Kutsang*.

Mr. L. H. Hutchings, chief officer, *Kutsang*, is on reserve.

Mr. W. L. Williams, third officer, *Chakwang*, is on reserve.

Mr. D. A. Matheson, from reserve, has gone third officer, *Chakwang*.

Mr. C. Nock, chief officer, *Fooksang*, is on reserve.

Mr. E. M. Paterson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, *Fooksang*.

Mr. F. Webster, second officer, *Hopang*, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. H. C. Lewis, supply second officer, *Tuckwo*, has gone second officer, *Suiwo*.

Mr. A. Murphy, second officer, *Suiwo*, is on Home leave.

Mr. J. J. MacLeavy, second officer, *Loongwo*, has gone supply second officer, *Tuckwo*.

Mr. A. Pettendridge, third officer, *Cheongking*, is on reserve.

Mr. A. Livingston, chief engineer, *Luenho*, has gone chief engineer, *Yatshing*.

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A SMASHED-UP JOY RIDE.

MOTOR-CAR TAKEN BY BLUEJACKETS.

DEFENDANT NOT IDENTIFIED AND DISCHARGED.

The charges preferred against Frederick John Buckmaster, a naval rating of H.M.S. *Hawkins*, of stealing a private car, and driving it without a licence, were dismissed by Mr. J. H. B. Nicholl yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon Magistracy. Lieut. Schofield, of H.M.S. *Hawkins*, sat on the Bench with the magistrate.

The defendant who was remained in Naval custody from last Saturday, was defended by Mr. H. C. MacNamara.

Mr. C. H. Dodson, owner of the stolen car, said that his car was a Hudson Super-Six, which he had left parked at the car shelter near the Kowloon Ferry wharf on December 8th at about 7 p.m. He returned to Kowloon at about midnight and found the car had disappeared. Witness reported the matter to the police, and at about 1 a.m. the car was found in Chatham Road, abandoned and badly smashed up.

Mr. R. J. Everest, who happened to see the smash-up, gave evidence to the effect that as he was going home on the night in question, he passed a stationary car with three or four blue jackets in it. Witness left his home at about 12.40 a.m. to visit a friend, and while walking along Chatham Road, he heard a crash. Witness was about 100 yards away from where the sound came from. He went to the spot, and found the car rammed against an electric light fence. The blue-jackets got out and abandoned the car. Witness telephoned to the Hongkong Police about the accident, and further stated that he did not recognise anybody at the identification parade which was later held at the Water Police Station.

Another witness of the accident was Mr. J. Mason, who said at the time in question he saw a stationary car in the centre of the road. One bluejacket was sitting by the wheel, one leaning over the wind-shield, and a third man was stooping over the bonnet of the car. Witness said he passed close to the stationary car, and as his head lights were on, he had a good look at the man by the wheel. Witness, later at an identification parade, picked out defendant.

Questioned by the Court, witness, after a long pause, said he would not like to swear that defendant was actually the man.

Mr. MacNamara submitted that he had no case to answer, with which his Worship concurred, and dismissed defendant.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per *s.s. Hector*, from Shanghai, on December 14th:—Mr. and Mrs. Baude, Master J. F. Baude, Master R. F. Baude, Miss A. Cook, Mr. C. W. Childs, Mr. E. H. Cressy, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Corry, Mr. J. M. De Weist, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gunn, Mr. J. P. Haverman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackman, Mr. H. T. Joy, Mr. L. Koyment, Miss J. Lotu, Miss G. M. Marr, Mr. A. J. May, Miss A. J. Miller, Mr. H. B. Miles, Mr. J. G. McNab, Mrs. E. Rochette, Mr. T. M. Rohn, and Mr. W. Weir. Among passengers passing through on their way to Singapore were: Mrs. E. C. Allen, Mr. W. T. Bowen, Mrs. A. A. Ewing, Master W. Ewing, Mr. J. A. Murphy, Mr. J. Marcus, Mr. J. K. Ireland, Mr. J. L. Thomson, Sir Talbot Scarisbrick, and Mr. R. E. Smalley. For Marseilles: Mr. A. B. Dahl, Mrs. L. Jouvelet, Master R. Jouvelet, Miss H. Jouvelet, and Mr. R. Megret. For London: Mr. and Mrs. G. Demaine, Mr. and Mrs. E. Greenall, Mr. G. H. Greenall, Master T. H. Greenall, Mr. H. W. Hosking, Mrs. F. W. Pearce, and Miss M. Pearce.

Mr. W. Crosbie, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, *Luenho*.

Mr. C. Ross, chief engineer, *Yatshing*, is on reserve.

Mr. L. B. Edwards, from reserve, has gone supply chief engineer, *Yatshing*.

Mr. J. S. Black, acting chief engineer, *Kutwo*, has gone supply second engineer, *Loongwo*.—Shipping and Engineering.

ALLEGED SHOPLIFTERS AT WORK.

A FRUSTRATED ATTEMPT ON SENNET FRERES.

TWO MEN ARRESTED.

Yesterday morning at about 11 o'clock, three well-dressed Chinese sauntered into the shop of Messrs. Sennet Freres, Pedder Street, and asked to be shown some expensive watches. These were brought out for their inspection, and in the course of the bargaining, one of the men asked if he might leave \$30 deposit and take a watch to submit it for his master's approval.

As the value of the watch was more than four times that of the proffered deposit, the offer was refused. In the meantime the suspicions of Mr. Leo Weill, son of the proprietress, had been aroused by the behaviour of the men. Keeping one of them under close observation, he noticed a movement of the arm, and immediately seized the man in question. Three watches, it is alleged, were found down the arm of his shirt, sleeve, underneath his jacket.

Others of the staff seized another of the party and it was then found that the third member had disappeared, his fears evidently having been aroused by the surveillance of the staff.

The two men in custody will be charged in the Court.

S.S. "OANFA'S" PILFERERS.

THREE DEFENDANTS PLEAD GUILTY.

SIX MONTHS' HARD LABOUR.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed upon three of the five defendants who were arrested in connection with the theft of several rolls of cloth from on board the *s.s. Oanfa*.

The four men and a woman were brought up before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, yesterday morning, at the Kowloon Magistracy.

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson prosecuted and Mr. J. M. Remedios appeared for the fourth and fifth defendants.

Mr. Tinson asked that a heavy fine be imposed upon the first three defendants, as the offence was a serious one. The charges against the last two defendants would be withdrawn, as they were merely on the premises when the police raided the house, and the prosecution believed they were innocent.

The first three defendants were sentenced as stated and the 4th and 5th defendants were discharged.

ATTACKED WITH CHOPPER.

SEARCH FOR AN ERRANT WIFE.

A Chinese, in seeking to find his wife, whom he said had run off with another man, was attacked with a chopper and received wounds which necessitated his removal to the Kowloon Hospital.

According to his story, his wife with whom he lived at Tsin Wan, secretly left (Continued on next column.)

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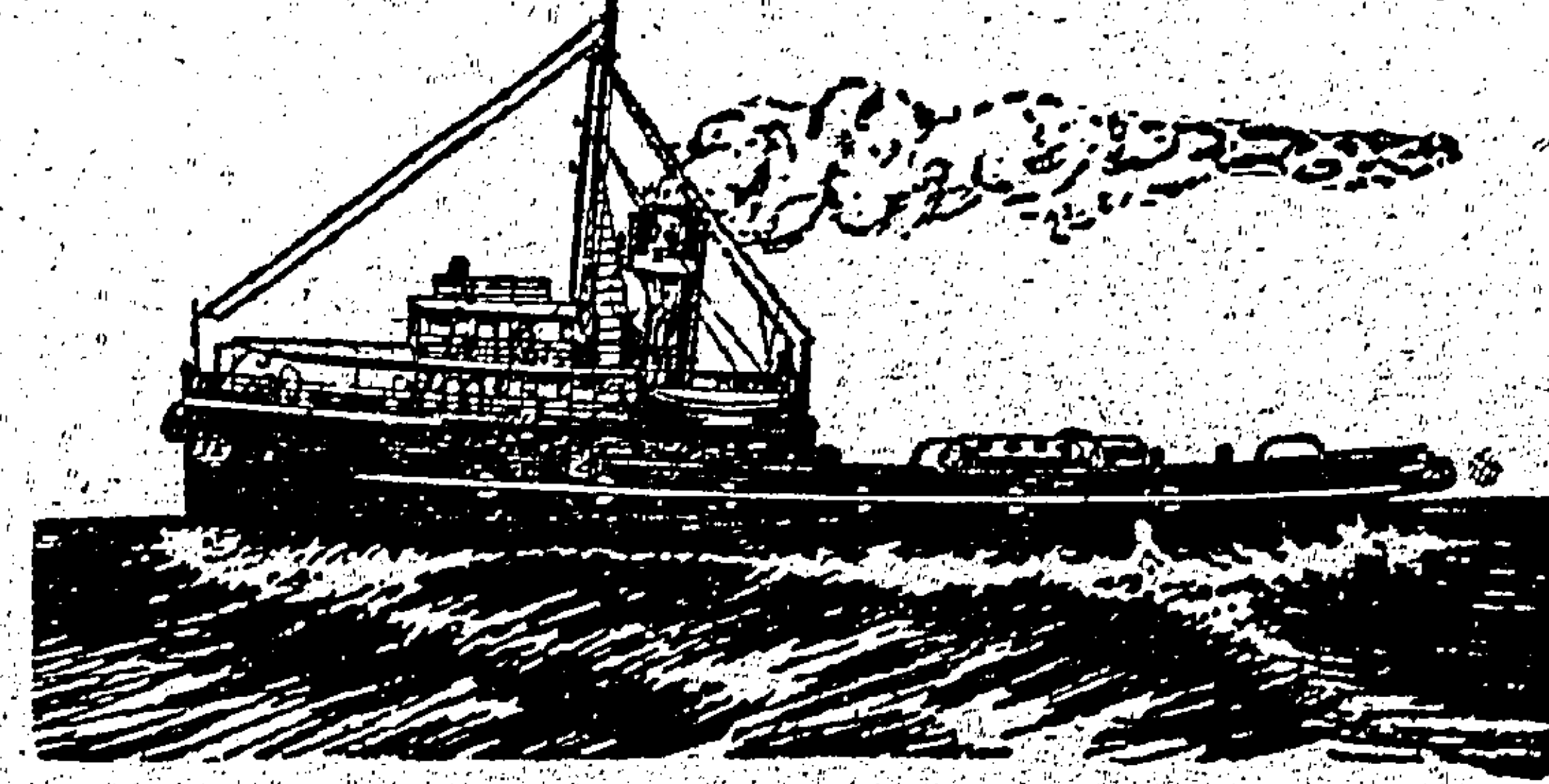
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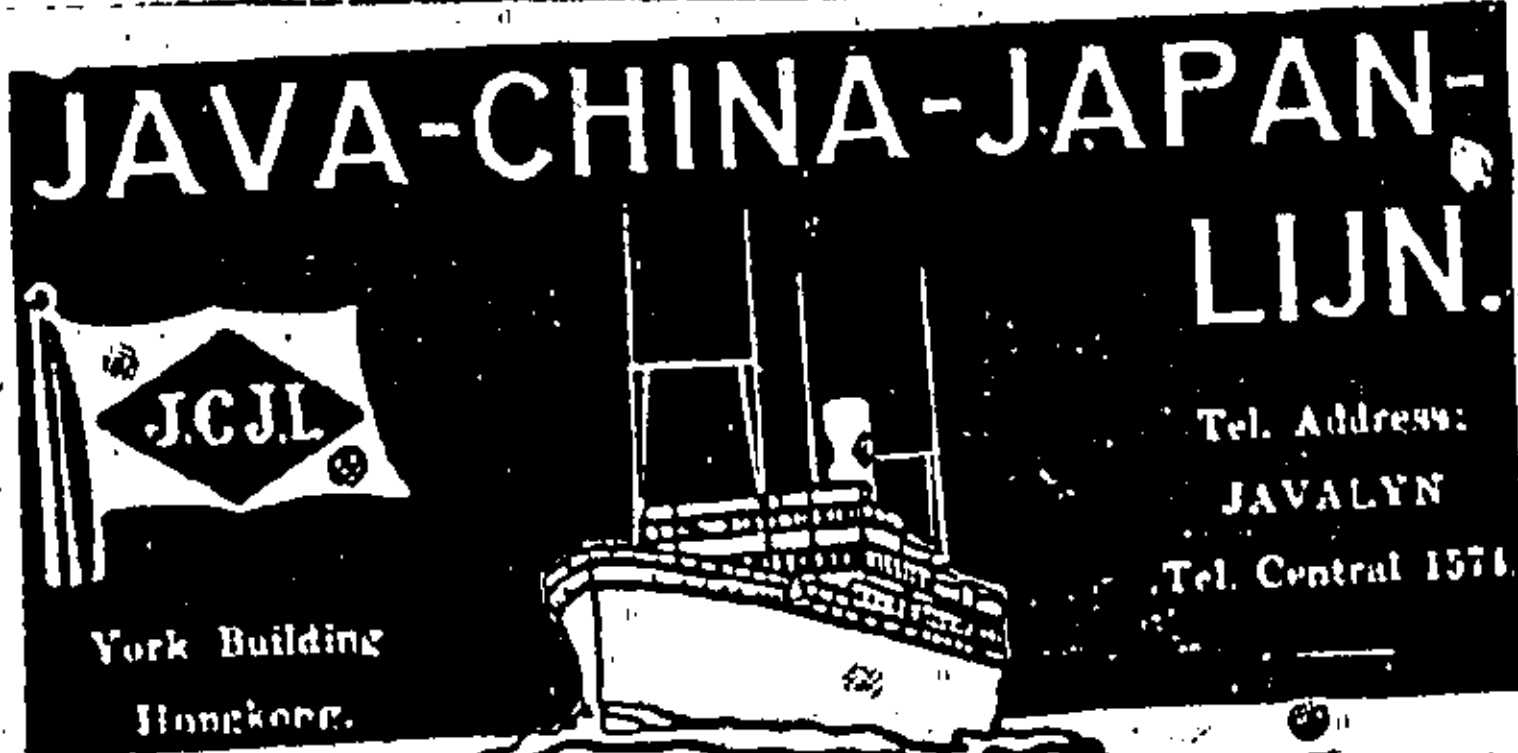
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ARRIVALS.

December 13th.
Chung Hing, Chinese str., 240 tons, Capt. Leung Sau Kong, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38.—Hong On Co.
Fuk Tai, Chinese str., 1,018 tons, Capt. A. Buhre, from Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. B43.—Shun Tai S.S. Co.
Haitan, Chinese str., 1,133 tons, Capt. F. V. Benz, from Bangkok, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C43.—Kin Cheong Lee.
Hector, British str., 6,841 tons, Capt. W. A. Dawson, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
Jade, French str., 358 tons, Capt. P. Maternati, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—Shun Cheong S.S. Co.
Kairys Maru, Japanese str., 1,581 tons, Capt. M. Eguchi, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C53.—Haiting Co.
Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Cheung Yung Fat, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi Co.

Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,228 tons, Capt. P. Lema, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 10th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A33.—J.C.J.L.
Yaching, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. C. A. Robertson, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B32.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 December 14th.
City of Tokio, British str., 4,488 tons, Capt. E. Mason, from Otaru and Shanghai. The latter port she left on December 10th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—Bank Line.
Fushimi Maru, Japanese str., 5,519 tons, from London via Singapore. The latter port she left on December 8th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Haiyen, Chinese str., 909 tons, Capt. Zimmelman, from Hoihow, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C47.—Sing Kee Co.
Ranpoun Maru, Japanese str., 5,059 tons, Capt. K. Sato, from Singapore, which port she left on December 5th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Van Cloon, Dutch str., 2,802 tons, Capt. H. G. Blits, from Singapore, which port she left on December 8th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27.—J.C.J.L.



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TJISALAK	JAVA & N. CHINA	21st Dec.	24th	SHANGHAI, AMOY & N. CHINA
TJIKINI	N. CHINA & AMOY	22nd	24th	MAKASSAR & JAVA
TJISAROA	JAVA	28th	30th	SHANGHAI
TJIKARANG	SHANGHAI	27th	30th	BATAVIA
TJIKANDI	JAPAN	4th Jan.	5th Jan.	BATAVIA
TJITAROEM	JAVA & N. CHINA	4th	6th	AMOY & NORTH CHINA
TJIMAROEK	NORTH CHINA	8th	10th	BATAVIA
TJISONDARI	JAVA	9th	13th	SHANGHAI
TJISAROA	SHANGHAI	10th	13th	BATAVIA
TJISALAK	NORTH CHINA	19th	21st	MAKASSAR & JAVA

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Chinhu, for Bangkok.
City of Tokio, for Iloilo.
Fuk Tai, for Whampoa.
Fuk Tai, for Canton.
Hai Hong, for Swatow.
Hai Yen, for Canton.
Ranpou, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Honolulu Maru, for Moji.
Kueichow, for Weihaiwei.
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Ranpoun Maru, for Moji.
Hector, for Singapore.
Zanella, for Balikpapan.
Seang Bee, for Amoy.
Van Cloon, for Swatow.
West Chopaka, for Manila.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entered Hong Kong during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 975.
 The s.s. Yat Shing, arrived here yesterday from Canton, in ballast and with no passengers.

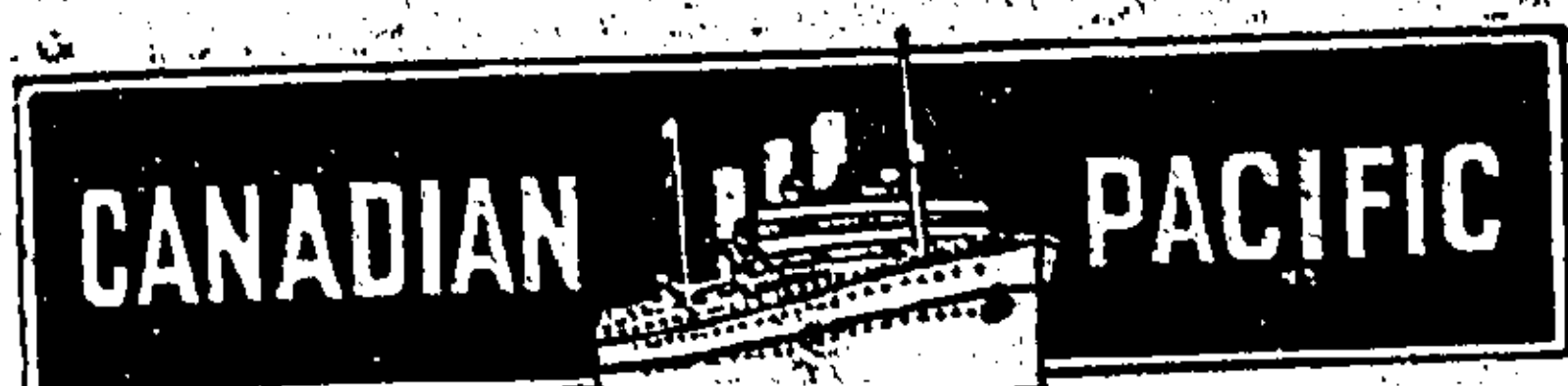
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The s.s. Talma (B.I. & Apcar Line), will leave Amoy for this port tomorrow, and is due here on the 17th inst., at about 4 p.m.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due December 23rd.
Talma (B.I. & Apcar), due December 17th, about 4 p.m.

It has been reported that, on December 2nd, when a motor fishing boat, the *Anlai*, belonging to the Dah An Fishing Co., was 60 miles out from Shanghai, she was run down by an unknown steamer which passed on without attempting to save the crew. Fortunately a junk arrived in time to take off the crew of ten Japanese and four Chinese.

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EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 30	Apr. 3	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF ASIA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 29

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AMAZONE	19th Nov., 1926	22nd Dec., 1926	4th Jan., 1927
ANGERS	3rd Dec., "	5th Jan., 1927	1st Feb., "
PARTAGNAN	17th Dec., "	19th Jan., "	15th Feb., "
SEINX	31st Dec., "	2nd Feb., "	1st Mar., "
ANGKOR	14th Jan., "	16th Feb., "	15th Mar., "
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MOJI & KOBE	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via MOJI & KOBE	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
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TSINGTAO via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Sunday, 19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
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M.V. "MUNSTERLAND"	Rotterdam & Hamburg	17th February, 1927
S.S. "OLDENBURG"	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	25th March, 1927
S.S. "SAARLAND"	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	22nd April, 1927
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s.s. "DERFFLINGER"	27th February, 1927	28th February, 1927
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 GENOA MARU ... Wednesday, 29th Dec.

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 CEYLON MARU ... Thursday, 30th Dec.

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"NYANZA"	7,023	26th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	26th Jan.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	26th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	28th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOREA"	10,915	28th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,087	19th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"NELLORE"	6,832	3rd March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	17th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles and London.
"MACDONALD"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"KASHMIR"	9,135	12th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,087	19th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,930	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"KHYA"	9,135	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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"KALYAN"	9,144	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,549	31st Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,915	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,003	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,007	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,087	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,992	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,833	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,959	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACDONALD"	11,120	4th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	12th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,144	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,087	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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